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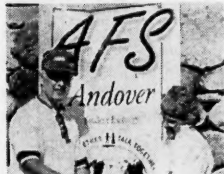
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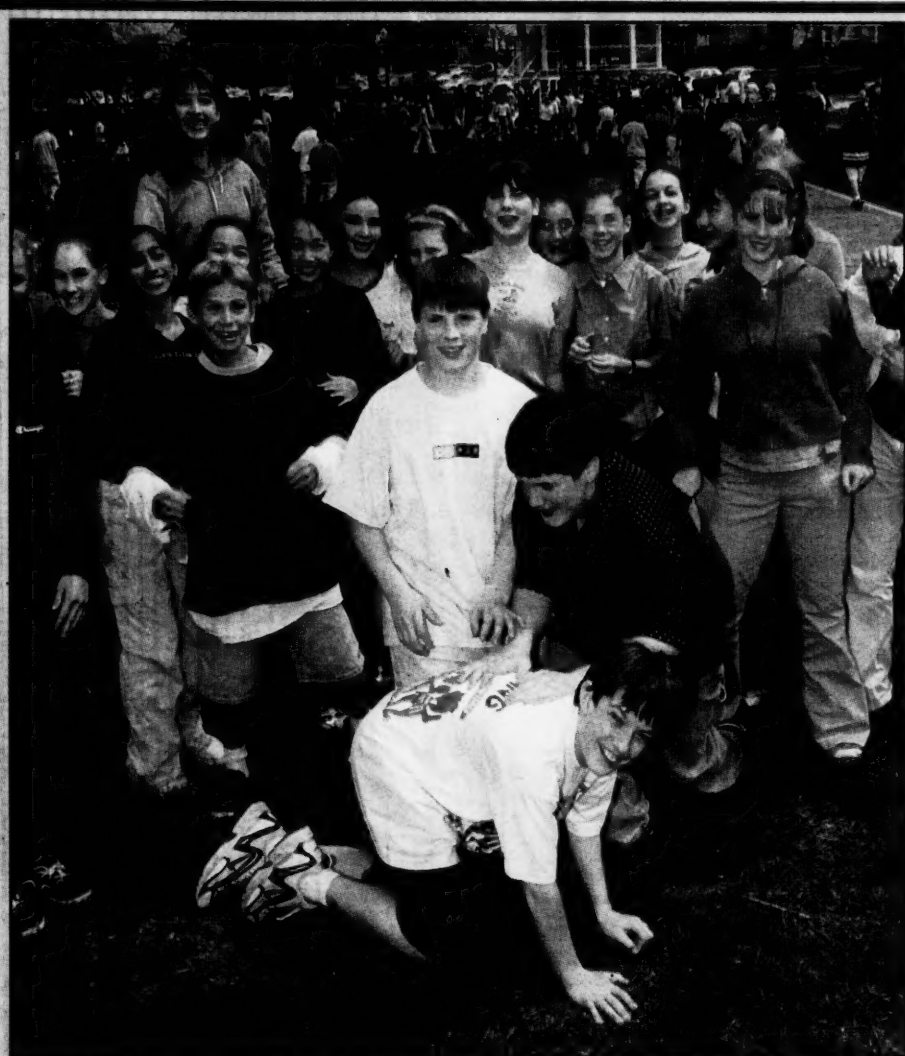


Photo by Lisa Adelsberger

Togetherness — Students from Doherty Middle School spent Monday in a series of workshops called "Making Connections," which emphasizes getting along with one another and with parents. Here, an enthusiastic group on lunch break shows they're having no trouble working together. Story, page 11.

Matters of money

By Taylor Armerding

Money always tends to be a touchy subject. And the reaction to comments from Finance Committee member Donald Robb on the first night of Town Meeting last week proved that once again.

Robb, speaking for the FinCom, cautioned voters about school budgets increasing much more rapidly than the pace of inflation. He listed wage settlements as one of three reasons for those increases.

There were no immediate cries of protest. But Thomas Meyers, president of the local teachers union, later characterized those comments as "just verbiage. Don should know better," he said.

A *Townsmen* review of compensation in Andover during 1998, based on figures supplied by the town Finance and School departments, shows that indeed, many school employees make substantially more than the average wage of about

\$48,000 paid by private industry in the town, according to state statistics. Nearly 100 school employees, including administrators, make more than \$60,000.

However, teachers still have a ways to go before they overtake the traditional winners of the W-2 derby in most towns — police and firefighters. (A chart of employees making \$51,000 or more in 1998 begins on page 17.)

Indeed, police and fire employees hold almost all of the top 25 compensation spots, with a half dozen of them into six figures. Town Manager Buzz Stapczynski, the top-salaried department head in 1998, barely makes it into the top 20 at \$91,698. Schools Superintendent Claudia Bach should easily make the top 10 this year, since her annual salary is more than \$104,000, but she arrived mid-year in 1998, and therefore only received a half year's pay.

That doesn't mean the base salaries of police and firefighters are nearly that

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Genetics: the issue is traffic

By Rebecca Lipchitz

Planning Board members closed a public hearing on the proposed expansion of Genetics Institute last night, after a long discussion on how to solve traffic woes in the Ballardvale Road area — one of the major complaints of neighboring residents who oppose the expansion.

The bio-tech pharmaceutical firm hopes to construct a 333,128-square foot, four-story manufacturing building and a parking garage with more than 1,000 spaces. It currently employs more than 700 people.

Planning Director Steve Colyer says he plans to work with the Police Department and town manager to put a local restriction on River Street, to keep commuter traffic off that road during the afternoon rush hours.

But Planning Board Chairman Michael Miller says he doesn't think it's fair to put the traffic problems of the entire industrial area on the shoulders of Genetics Institute.

"Is it fair to try to address this through the Genetics project or should it be addressed generally?" he asked the audience of Tuesday's hearing, a group of more than 35 residents, before the meeting was open to public comment.

Colyer agrees that the Genetics project shouldn't be held up because of problems in the entire industrial area, but he plans to involve the company's traffic engineers in solving the area's traffic problem, he says.

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Photo by Lisa Adelsberger

Calling all clowns — Tom Hubschman, 7; Hayley Finn, 5; Doug Hubschman, 5; Chris Nardone, 8; and (in front) Brian Finn, 4, are ready for Clown Town, coming up May 14-15. See page 45.

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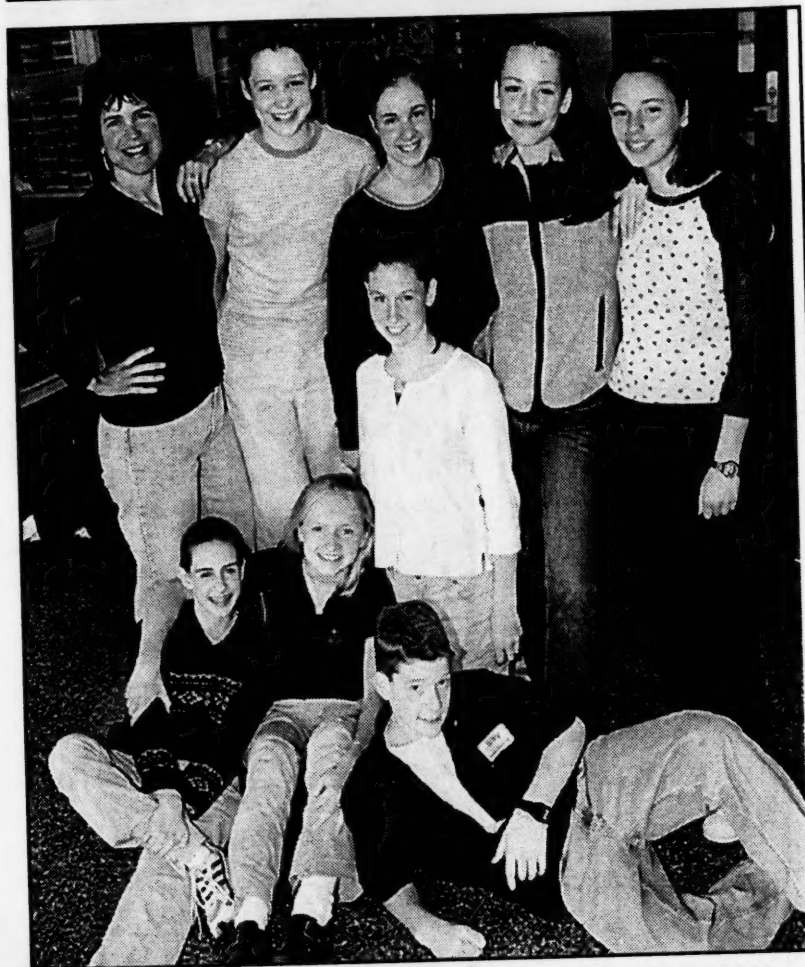


Photo by Lisa Adelsberger

Helping hands — Ready for "Make A Wish Day" at West Middle School on Friday, May 21, are (standing, from left) parent and organizer Terry Wetzler-Finn, with students Katie Dlesk, 13; Melissa Kasparian, 13; Katie Regner, 13; and Heather Finn, 14. Megan Russell, 14, is kneeling. Seated, from left, are Merry Fish, 13; Kaylan Tildsley, 14; and Greg Hartwell, 14.

Helping wishes come true

Students at West Middle School will prove that dancing nonstop, selling cookies, and washing cars can help wishes come true for children with life-threatening illnesses.

Friday, May 21, is "Make a Wish Day." Terry Wetzler-Finn, a member of the Make a Wish Foundation, is presenting a number of events at West Middle School to raise money for this program. With the help of Sheila Harrington, student government adviser at West Middle; Heather Finn, Terry's daughter and an eighth-grade student there; plus members of the student government and other seventh- and eighth-graders, Wetzler-Finn now has a list of activities for the day.

From 10 a.m.-1 p.m. there will be a car wash. From 2-2:30 p.m. there will be a bake sale. Later, from 7-9:30 p.m., there will be a dance-a-thon, at which West Middle seventh- and eighth-graders will dance nonstop to raise the money pledged to them by others.

There will be prizes given to certain students, such as "Most Enthusiastic Dancer," "Craziest Dancer," a prize to the student

who raises the most money, and others. The profits will go to the Make a Wish Foundation, with which Wetzler-Finn has been involved about eight years.

Make a Wish has one primary goal: to make the dreams of children with life-threatening illnesses become realities. Children from age 2½ to age 18 who have such illnesses usually find out about this foundation through their health care professionals. The wishes give children a chance to distract themselves from their heavy medical treatments and procedures. They also provide a sense of hope for each child, and allow them to strive for something positive as they continue to fight their illnesses.

Wetzler-Finn has helped to grant many wishes for children, such as trips to Disney World, shopping sprees, computer setups, and in one case, a tree house for a little boy.

Says Wetzler-Finn, "It is a good idea for children with life-threatening illnesses to see how lucky they are."

The Boston chapter of Make a

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NEWS IN BRIEF

Kartell pretrial hearing is today

A pretrial hearing is scheduled for today, May 6, in the murder case of James Kartell, the Andover plastic surgeon who allegedly shot and killed his estranged wife's fiancé "execution style" at Holy Family Hospital.

Steve O'Connell, District Attorney's office spokesman, says the prosecutor does not expect any motions to be made at the hearing.

Kartell is free on \$200,000 bail. He faces the murder charge for allegedly shooting Janos Vajda, and has since had two restraining orders filed against him — one by his estranged wife and one by a woman who was reportedly his girlfriend.

A clerk at Concord District Court confirmed that a woman recently took out a restraining order against Kartell.

According to reports, Kartell's girlfriend Barbara Carroll said she became concerned when Kartell kept appearing unexpectedly at her workplace after the

shooting. She had not heard about the shooting of Vajda until early April.

She said Kartell repeatedly told her he would never hurt her or her children, according to reports.

"I felt scared to death because he repeated it so often," she said.

Judge Paul McGill ordered Kartell to stay away from Carroll, her workplace and her three children, ages 18, 12, and 8.

Several weeks ago, Kartell's estranged wife, Suzan Kamm, also took a restraining order against Kartell, ordering him away from the former couple's Brady Loop home and the doctors offices they shared.

Carroll reportedly said that Kartell had described his wife's restraining order as a "feminist tool."

— Neil Fater

NEWS CALENDAR

Thursday, May 6

Bancroft School Council, Bancroft School, 3 p.m.

Friday, May 7

Greater Lawrence Sanitary District (GLSD), Superintendent's office, School Administration Building, 160 Main Street, Methuen, 11 a.m.

Monday, May 10

Annual Town Meeting, Collins Center, Andover High School, 7 p.m.

Board of Selectmen, Collins Center band room, 6 p.m.

Planning Board, Andover High School band room, 6:30 p.m.

Tuesday, May 11

Preservation Commission, second-floor conference room, Town

Offices, 5:30 p.m.

Board of Selectmen, Collins Center band room, 6 p.m.

Planning Board, Andover High School band room, 6:30 p.m.

Annual Town Meeting, Collins Center, Andover High School, 7 p.m.

Wednesday, May 12

Spring Grove Cemetery Trustees, first-floor conference room, Town Offices, 7:15 p.m.

Thursday, May 13

Andover Housing Authority, 256 North Main St., 7 p.m.

Sunday, May 16

After School Committee, School Committee room, School Administration Building, 6 p.m.

Audit lauds AHA

A state auditor's report lauded the Andover Housing Authority for correcting three problems found in an 1998 audit.

The Housing Authority adequately resolved problems with the monitoring of the budget for a state program in 1996, lack of site inspections in accordance with state law and a non-collateralization of federal and state funds.

During the initial audit, the AHA was \$83,000 over budget in their state Consolidated Housing program. A review after the audit showed they were \$8,000 under budget. The review also reported the AHA had performed the proper site inspections and moved state and federal money into properly insured accounts.

— Rebecca Lipchitz

Quote, unquote . . .

Our responsibility is every bit as great as the teachers'."

Karin Taylor, Doherty Middle School nurse and chairman of the Mass. Nurses Association bargaining unit for the four Andover school nurses, who are seeking pay equal to teachers.

Three things strike fear in the hearts of parents: illness, accidents and college costs."

State Sen. Sue Tucker, on a plan to help parents invest for college expenses.

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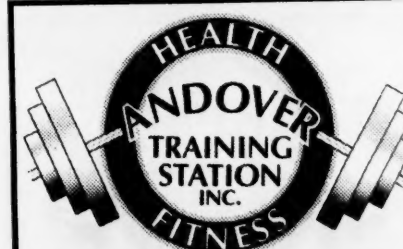


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Wish was organized in 1987, and has granted more than 825 wishes so far. The wishes generally fall into four categories: "I wanna go," "I wanna have," "I wanna meet" and "I wanna be." The money required for the wishes to be granted is provided by donations and fund-raisers, such as the one being held at West Middle May 21. Wetzler-Finn has worked on the wish-granting end of Make a Wish for a while, and this fund-raiser is a way of expanding her horizons in the program.

"I wanted to do some fund raising, and

heighten awareness in the community," says Wetzler-Finn.

And she is hoping her wish will become a reality as well.

— Lisa Kletjian

Give others a TIP

When a criminal, an accident, or an abusive family member victimizes someone in the Merrimack Valley, there's only so much emergency personnel can do to

ease the pain. That's when they're glad they have a TIP to share.

In fact, police and firefighters say the Merrimack Valley Trauma Intervention Program (TIP) has been a godsend to the area, and to victims of trauma since it



Jayan Conlin

began in October, 1993.

Now, TIP is looking for a few, new good men (and women) to help it continue its efforts. Jayan Conlin, co-founder of the chapter, says the program currently has 20 volunteers, only two of whom are men.

TIP will have its next training session for new volunteers May 13 to May 23.

"We're really trying to target male volunteers this time around. We welcome both male and female, of course. But some of the guys who have joined us have moved out of the area," she says. "We need people with a strong desire to help other people."

People interested in learning more about TIP or in becoming a volunteer can call the TIP office at (978) 975-8471.

Training sessions will be held the two Thursday and Friday evenings and all day the two Saturdays and Sundays.

During the first week, volunteers will be exposed to a 911 tape of an actual traumatic event.

Then, they will be put in mock situations and taught how to deal with victims.

During the second week of training, volunteers will hear from police and fire officials and emergency hotline operators about what to do.

"It's pretty comprehensive. The training is involved, but it's a real growth experience," says Conlin.

Conlin ought to know. The Merrimack Valley TIP has grown so impressively since 1993 that Boston College will be presenting her with a Young Alumni Achievement Award Friday, May 14 at the college's Robsham Theater in Newton. Conlin is a 1989 graduate of the BC School of Nursing.

Conlin ran TIP from her home until this year and worked without pay for two years. Although she continues to go on calls, recent federal support has enabled her to train more volunteers and open an office in Methuen. She has found the time to co-author a children's coloring book, *Michael's Story*, to help children deal with loss and grief.

Since 1993, TIP volunteers have responded to more than 600 calls. The most common calls deal with people who have experienced a sudden death, or are the victims of fires or domestic violence.

Cases that are becoming more frequent include sexual assaults, abandoned children incidents and suicides, says Conlin.

"With suicides, usually there are children that are left behind. That number has grown," says Conlin.

— Neil Fater

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The UPlan, which became available four years ago, is known as a prepaid tuition plan. Parents buy state treasury bonds at the price of today's college tuition. When the student enters a college in Massachusetts under the UPlan and the parents cash in their bonds for tuition, the state pays any difference in the amount tuition has risen beyond that amount. If the student attends a school with no tuition guarantee, parents get their money back with adjusted interest free of state and federal taxes.

Parents who invest in the UFund through the Massachusetts Educational Finance Authority (MEFA) and MEFA's broker Fidelity Investments, earn money through mutual funds. The younger the children, the more aggressive the investment, says Penny Velentza, college savings program coordinator of MEFA.

The money saved and earned through the UFund can be used at any school in the country for tuition, board, books and other education-related expenses.

Scott Prince, director of external relations at MEFA, says the UFund investments are taxed about 15 percent when withdrawn, but are not subject to capital gains tax, usually about 30 percent per year.

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through state Senator Sue Tucker's (D-Andover) office, since she has decided to make it the business of her office to help parents pay for college.

"We keep talking about the importance of education, and then continually price people out of the market," she says of rising tuition costs.

Tucker's office (617) 722-1612 will provide information on the plan to anyone who requests it, she says.

"It's just an obsession of mine," she says of her drive to make higher education more affordable.

"Three things strike fear in the hearts of parents: illness, accidents and college costs," she says.

The UFund program is the Massachusetts version of a 529 investment plan, offered in many states for parents of future college students.

Velentza says one unique feature of the Massachusetts 529 plan is the aggressiveness of their investments, but adds that parents don't need to know about investing to use it.

Since the UFund became available to parents a month ago, MEFA has opened 3,000 accounts and invested \$13 million, Prince says.

Since the UPlan was offered in 1995, parents have invested \$82.5 million in 42,000 accounts, he says.

— Rebecca Lipchitz

Genetics ...

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Colyer says he doesn't expect a local traffic restriction to be popular with all the residents on River Street, but believes it is time to act.

"I know it's going to be a problem, but I'm willing to stick my neck out. We need to try something, even if it's just an experiment," he says.

A similar one-way restriction was approved by selectmen in 1983, Colyer says, but residents requested that it be eliminated after it had been in place for only two weeks.

This time around, Colyer suggests making River Street one way south bound in the afternoon.

Morning traffic flows easily through the area, Colyer says, because drivers don't face oncoming traffic to make turns like they do on the way out to Routes 125 and 93 in the afternoon.

Police Officer Robert Cronin told residents at the public hearing that he didn't recommend making local restrictions on certain streets.

"Whatever traffic doesn't go through there goes somewhere else," he says, and cautioned planners that unless the state improves Route 93 enough to keep traffic on the highway, drivers will cut through other

unrestricted neighborhoods.

Some residents argue that there is already too much traffic in the area to allow Genetics to expand. Audrey Nason, of River Street, said there should be no more development approved in the area until present traffic problems are solved.

Residents in the River Street and Ballardvale Road areas hired Attorney Arthur Sullivan to help plead their case at the hearing. Traffic consultant Frank Ching of Newton also spoke on behalf of residents opposed to Genetics expansion.

He says the additional traffic from the expansion of Genetics is significant because they have proposed no way to solve the existing problem.

"There is no mitigation proposed," he says.

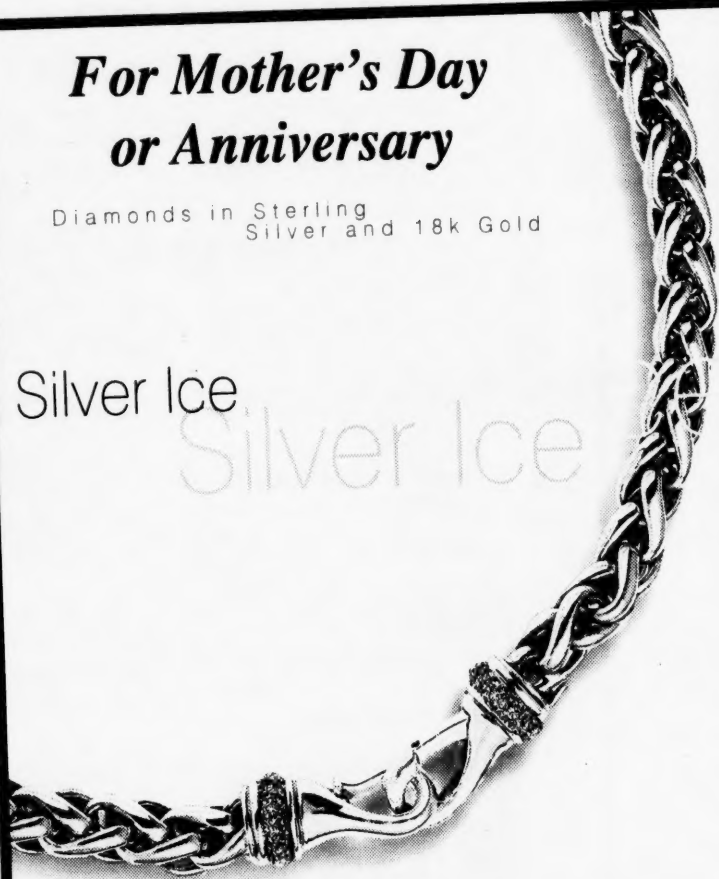
Colyer says the Genetics project, which is part of a master plan of development for the company expected to be complete in 2005, was based on road improvements on routes 93 and 125 expected from the state that have not materialized.

One key part of the state project, a new ramp system at the Route 93 and Route 125 interchange, recently made progress, Colyer says, and is expected to be reviewed by the Federal Highway Commission next week, and then sent back to the state for local review.

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State tosses in help with trash disposal

Andover and its fellow North East Solid Waste Committee (NESWC) communities will get some help from the state in paying trash disposal fees that are now about twice the state average and due to go much higher in the next several years.

State Rep. Barry Finegold (D-Andover) said this week that the Legislature has approved \$3 million in a supplemental budget to help offset disposal costs. He said the state will provide \$3 million per year for the next seven years for the 23 communities in the trash consortium.

Finegold, along with state Sen. Bruce Tarr (R-Gloucester), is a co-chair of the NESWC Legislative Caucus.

"It's not big, but I'm pretty proud of it," he says. "Last year all we got through was a surplus, and the governor vetoed that."

Indeed, it is not big enough for local residents to expect their trash bill to drop significantly. Andover's share of the \$3 million would be about \$200,000, Finegold estimated, or only about 11 percent of the town's anticipated \$2.3-million bill for trash disposal in the coming fiscal year. NESWC communities pay about \$95 per ton for disposal.

Still, it will mean about \$1.4 million over the next seven years that the town will not have to pay, he says.

In other budget action, Finegold says Andover will be getting about \$4.4 million in Chapter 70, or general school aid, up from \$3.8 million this year.

"That's about a 14-percent increase," he says, "and it's about what was projected, so there shouldn't be any shortfalls."

Officials to take part in wetlands conference

Three local officials will participate in the third annual American Wetlands Conference, sponsored by the Terrene Institute of Alexandria, Va., today through Saturday at the Rolling Green Conference Center.

Gail Ralston, representing the town and the Conservation Commission, will extend the town's greetings Thursday and participate in a "town hall meeting" panel on Friday, focusing on open-space planning in light of competing interests. School Committee Chairman Eric Nadworny and Planning Director Steve Colyer will also speak.

Attorney Gregor McGregor, president of the Massachusetts Association of Conservation Commissions, will moderate the panel. The keynote address will be given by Robert A. Durand, secretary of the Massachusetts Executive Office of Environmental Affairs.

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School nurses say they're sick of unequal pay

By Rebecca Lipchitz

Andover school nurses say they should be paid as much as Andover teachers, now that they are required by Education Reform laws to have the same level of education.

"If we have to comply with all of the same regulations and have the same degrees, how come we're not getting the same pay?" asks Karin Taylor, school nurse for the Doherty Middle School.

The laws require newly hired school nurses to have a master's degree in addition to RN certification, she says.

"Since ed reform went through, we feel we have a much stronger case," Taylor says.

Taylor, an RN with the Massachusetts Nurses Association (MNA), serves as the chairman of the MNA bargaining unit for the four Andover school nurses.

School Committee Chairman Eric Nadworny, in negotiations with the nurses, says he didn't

want to comment on the contract since it is currently in mediation.

"We've tried to give them a fair contract and deal with their changing roles as nurses," Nadworny says.

Nurses say they are paid 30 to 45 percent less than teachers and other school professionals, such as guidance counselors and speech therapists.

According to the MNA, Andover school nurses with bachelor's degrees make between \$21,000 and \$32,000 annually, while comparably educated teachers in the system make between \$27,500 and \$45,000 per year, and are additionally compensated for further education.

"Our responsibility is every bit as great as the teachers'," Taylor says.

Andover has four school nurses including Taylor, Sharyn Tate at West Middle School, Mary Moran at Andover High School, and Barbara Whiteside, who serves as the school nurse for

Andover's five elementary schools and as the health program coordinator for the school system.

Each elementary school has a licensed practical nurse in its clinic, Taylor says, but LPNs are not required to have the same level of education, and negotiate separate contracts, she says.

The nurses' contract expired in August 1998, Taylor says.

The nurses felt they had earned some recognition and empathy from former Superintendent Richard E. Neal, but since so many of the top school administrators or committee

members are new, negotiations lack consistency, Taylor says.

"There is no continuity or follow through in their understanding of what's going on with us. Dick (Neal) was very empathetic and understood it. (Empathy) doesn't promise you any money, but at least he understood where we're coming from," Taylor says.

Lawrence schools recently negotiated a contract to make nurses' pay equal to teachers' pay, Taylor says, and Methuen nurses are currently negotiating a similar deal.

Negotiations are scheduled to resume May 27, she says.

Chamber hosts state reps

The Government Affairs Committee of the Merrimack Valley Chamber of Commerce will present the seventh annual State Representatives Breakfast Friday, May 14, from 7:30 to 9:15 a.m. at Indian Ridge Country Club on Lovejoy Road. Confirmed guests include Speaker of the House Thomas Finneran, and state Representatives Arthur Broadhurst of Methuen, David Torrisi of North Andover,

Brian Dempsey of Haverhill, Barry Finegold of Andover, Kevin Finnegan of Newburyport, Jose Santiago of Lawrence, Brad Jones of North Reading, David Nangle of Lowell and Harriett Stanley of Merrimac. Dan Warner, editor of the *Eagle-Tribune*, will be the guest moderator.

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Time to reform town meeting

In a letter to the editor this week, Charles "Bucky" Dalton, local attorney and Town Meeting ombudsman, says it's time for Andover to re-think its open town meeting format.

He's right.

Not necessarily because the Andover High field house may at times be filled with "special interest" voters, who tend to drift away as soon as their issue is voted. That has always been true, in town after town across the state. And that is, for better or worse, one of the characteristics of democracy: If you can bring out your troops at a town meeting, you can get your pet project voted through. The same is true of the ballot box. Get your people to the polls, and you'll beat the people who stayed home every time.

No, the most compelling reason to admit that the time of the open town meeting in Andover has passed is the sheer magnitude of the whole thing.

Andover is a town of more than 30,000 people, with more than 12,000 of them registered to vote. Every year, local officials and this newspaper urge them all to come out for an annual exercise in participatory democracy. In a way, it's fortunate for the town that they don't take our advice. If they did, it would be disastrous. Where could the town put them?

But even when only a small percentage of them turn out, there is no way for all those who want to speak on an issue to get the chance to be heard. If they did, the meeting would consume every Monday and Tuesday night into June.

And that points to the second reason for change: The warrant for these meetings generally include 100 articles or more. For even a few of them to have any significant discussion means three or four nights, minimum. By the time it gets late in the evening, government by any thoughtful process degenerates to government by exhaustion.

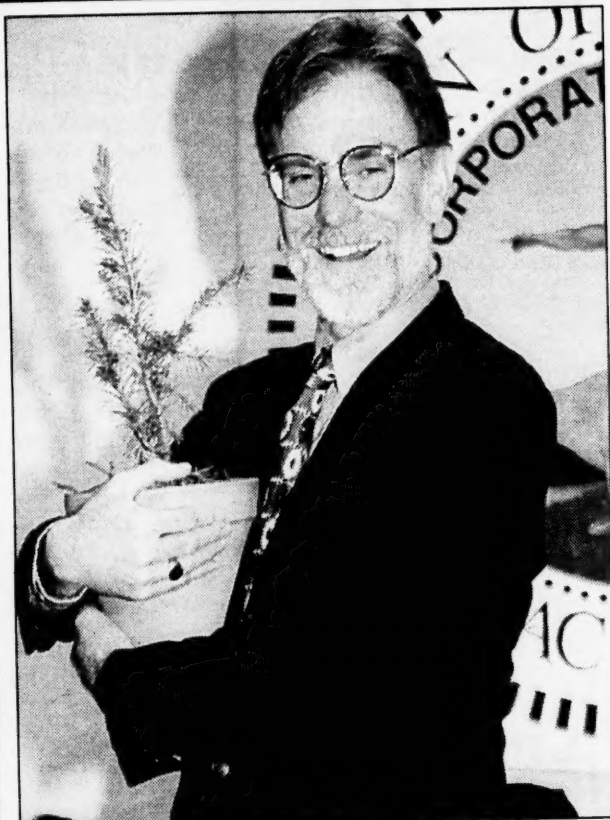
The result? Rather than being democracy's finest hour, Town Meeting is less and less democratic. People who want to speak on an issue are either cut off by Moderator Jim Doherty or shouted down by other voters who just want to get the thing over with and go home. It's tough to blame Doherty. He's supposed to keep the meeting going, and can't even conduct one without a quorum.

So it is past time to acknowledge that this is not working. Perhaps there should be two annual town meetings. Perhaps Andover should move to a representative town meeting, where instead of 1,200 people trying to listen to somebody speaking through an overworked PA system, 100 or so elected representatives of every neighborhood can conduct the town's business with dispatch and a bit of coherent discussion.

Rather than undermining democracy, this would improve it.



Branching out — Selectmen Brian Major and Mary French do the honors on Arbor Day last Friday, shoveling some dirt to help plant a Kousa Dogwood in the Park. At right, Town Manager Buzz Stapczynski proves he's a tree hugger after all.



Photos by Carol Van Doren

We're all to blame for Littleton killings



Perry Colmore

I'm remembering about six years ago, when the *Townsmen* launched its series on teen-agers. We carefully gathered a group of diverse students — brains, jocks, nerds, beauties, even a druggie or two — and we asked them, "How is it for you, living in Andover?"

The meeting was the beginning of one of the newspaper's best efforts while I was editor. We were communicating with a group of energetic, enthusiastic and mostly earnest teen-agers — kids who wanted to be heard. It was as if they said, "If you will listen to us, if you really want to know how we're feeling, we will talk with you."

I think the group met twice, and toward the end, one of the teens said, "We should do this once a week."

Indeed, that young woman was right. Like everyone else, I've been thinking about and reading about the massacre of 13 high school students and one teacher in Littleton, Colo. I'm deeply disturbed, and looking for solutions.

I am remembering Andover resident

Josh Miner's dictum, "the misery of unimportance," which he used often to describe children who feel out of it, teens who haven't found a way to be useful, teens left out of learning that giving is what makes us feel good.

I am a parent, of a daughter, now 29, and a 27-year-old son.

I worked when they were young, and I am sure they often felt neglected. I remember once driving my son to school when he let me know half way there that he was supposed to bring a sandwich to school that day, as his class was going on a field trip and would be away from school during lunch.

I cried, feeling that I'd been too busy with work, too preoccupied. I drove straight to a grocery store and while he laughed in delight, we put together a fancy lunch for him. I was one of the lucky parents. My kids let me know when they felt abandoned, and I was able to hear them.

I remember as a child, there was a nerdy boy at the beach where my sister and brother and I grew up. We used to tease that boy, I'm not too sure how, because I was the youngest, but I'd do anything my brother and sister did, and I'm sure I was part of it.

Many years later, my brother wrote a letter to the now-adult person we'd pecked down, and apologized. The man more or less laughed it off.

We were lucky in that incident. I am sure our mother and father had no idea we were mean to that boy.

When I was growing up, I was one of the popular ones. I was a jock and I had plenty of dates. Things went well for me. I don't remember torturing kids who were different, and that may be because I went to an all-girls boarding school and then to a college that was mostly women.

Girls, especially young teen girls, can be cruel to one another, crueler than boys, but I don't remember that as part of my teen years. Perhaps we were too busy in boarding school to get into that kind of trouble. We went to school all morning, had lunch, played sports most the afternoon, went to dinner and then to study hall and then it was lights out.

Not much time to play violent games or pick on kids who weren't like us. We rarely went to the movies, didn't have computers and weren't allowed to watch much television. All of us want to ascribe blame in the Columbine High School massacre. Because if we can blame some one or some thing, then we can fix it and stop these adolescent killings. I think we're all to blame: parents, teachers, classmates, everyone of us. I've talked with my son and daughter about the Littleton killings. They say it's about discipline. They blame the parents who didn't notice their sons were making bombs and violent Web pages.

Although my husband is not one to ascribe blame, he is saying over and over again that the more popular kids

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Support Shawsheen Historic District

Editor, *Townsmen*:

First, we'd like to thank our neighbors from all over town for their overwhelming support of Shawsheen Village at Town Meeting Tuesday night, April 27. Together, we let our town officials know some important information about how we want our town to look and feel as we enter the new millennium.

Next, we have an opportunity to complete the preservation of this beautiful, historic neighborhood at the next session of Town Meeting on Monday and Tuesday, May 10 and 11. We urge you to return to Town Meeting and to support Article 84, the creation of the Shawsheen Village Historic District.

The Department of Community Services (DCS) has reopened registration for its "Day Care At Night" service. We encourage parents of school-age children to use this service, as we have for the past four years (our daughter always has a great time and is none the worse for wear the next day). However, please be aware that you must register and pay the nominal cost by the end of this week. This can easily be done via credit card by calling the DCS office.

We are convinced now, more than ever, that the Shawsheen Historic District is a smart idea for us and our neighbors who will live within its boundaries. The entire proposed area is already on the National Register of Historic Places (since 1978). Shawsheen Village was one of the first planned communities in the nation. It was built to encourage peaceful community living and neighborly cooperation, which remain its hallmarks today.

However, its status on the National Register carries no legal protection regarding preservation. Creation of a local historic district would place such protection in our own hands, since the bylaw states that the commission, which will set the more detailed guidelines, will consist wholly or at least in part of residents and property owners within the district. There must be members (again, preferably district residents and property owners) nominated by the Preservation Commission, the Historical Society, the Planning Board, and the Shawsheen Village business community. This commission will strive to work with fellow property owners in a cooperative, not punitive, fashion. The bylaw, which is printed in the FinCom Report, contains a list (pp. 118-119) of limitations on the commission and property features that will be exempt from review, such as exterior paint color, interiors, normal maintenance or repair, and much more.

Why must Town Meeting vote on the bylaw when detailed guidelines are not yet in place? The answer is both simple and sensible. If the guidelines were to be voted on by the entire Town Meeting, they would not be determined by Shawsheen residents. Also, if any subsequent revision were suggested, however slight, it would have to be approved by a two-thirds vote of

Let's re-think Town Meeting

Editor, *Townsmen*:

The time has arrived for Andover to seriously consider an alternative to the town meeting, such as a type of elected-representative town meeting.

The town is much too large for the old fashioned town meeting — and, apparently, attendance at town meetings appears, in the most part, to be driven by self-interest in specific neighborhood articles or special interest land-acquisition articles (what a revelation!).

The small core of people who are truly interested in the government of Andover, and who attend to scrutinize the budget and financial articles, is slowly passing. Only a few of these loyal town meeting attendees rise to speak on town government and finan-

cial issues — and there is a clear murmur of intolerance directed toward these concerned citizens by those who attend only for self interests.

It has always been the obvious strategy to stack or load up the meeting on the night you would be presenting your special interest article; this could be avoided by implementing a random selection policy, such as is employed by some nearby towns. Instead of the articles being heard in sequential order as printed in the warrant, the articles are drawn by lot each night.

In any event, we should think about the town meeting and where it is headed in the years to come.

Charles F. Dalton Jr.
85 Osgood St.

yet another Town Meeting. We know of no historic district in the entire state that was ever set up that way, since it would defeat the goal of self-determination.

We applaud the care and sensitivity with which the members of the Shawsheen Village Historic District Study Committee have worked at their task for two long years. They are our neighbors and will live within the district, so this has been a labor of love. In closing, we point out that since the creation of the Ballardvale Historic District at 1995 Town Meeting, there have been approximately 35 applicants to that commission and no problems with working out mutually acceptable decisions. We urge you to come to Town Meeting, listen to the presentation, and vote yes on Article 84.

Bob & Phyllis Zimmerman
9 Carisbrooke St.

Beware of sewer expansion

Editor, *Townsmen*:

West Andover residents, beware, know all the facts before being railroaded into sewer expansion at Town Meeting 2000.

The following is a transcript that I spent a significant amount of time researching and preparing for presentation against Articles 41, 42 and 43 at Town Meeting.

The conduct of the meeting that evening by the moderator and town officials was an absolute disgrace to democracy and tyrannical in nature. After only a little more than an hour of debate on more than \$30 million worth of betterments, the moderator called a vote when several concerned residents, including myself, were still standing at the microphone requesting to exercise our Constitutional First Amendment right of free speech.

Although I was denied this right at Town Meeting, I still wish the transcript to be made available to the community, so when similar articles are presented at future town meetings, concerned citizens

can be more informed than were the residents of South Andover.

1. The entire town has the right to vote on the sewer construction articles, even though only a small percentage of the residents in the town will incur a major financial burden if the articles pass.

This is unconstitutional, and represents taxation without proper representation. If you were a homeowner potentially affected by these articles, would you consider it fair that people who are not on the proposed sewer route, who are in no way financially impacted by their vote, could attach a \$20,000 second mortgage to your property without your consent? The vote should only be open to those residents financially affected by the outcome.

2. In an effort to minimize public opposition to the proposed sewer expansion projects, the town administration and Board of Selectmen have deliberately kept citizens uninformed about the sewer articles and the financial burden involved.

The Department of Public Works sent out betterment estimates to all homeowners impacted by Articles 41 and 42. My wife and I received our estimate letter on April 9, a little more than two weeks before Town Meeting. The letter clearly discussed the street betterment estimate but had no discussion of hookup charges and operating costs. This was too little information, too late.

No truly public meetings have been held offering an open forum of debate to allow people on both sides of the issue to present their cases prior to Town Meeting. The alleged "public meeting" held on April 14 at Faith Lutheran Church was organized by pro-sewer homeowners, and had a one-sided, pro-sewer agenda. Any person with a contradictory view was immediately told that this was not a forum for debate and to please sit down.

Until mid-March, all specific details regarding the proposed projects and the staggering betterment costs had been more

or less kept in secret by town management. There was virtually no time for any concerned citizen to prepare a factually complete, informative editorial for the local papers.

3. The current Massachusetts General Laws (MGL) mandating that street sewer construction be funded by betterments are unfair and unjust. These laws need to be changed before further sewer expansion is considered.

The passage of Title V by the state government has undoubtedly created hardships for homeowners with high water table lots in the vicinity of wetlands. As is typical of most government-mandated programs that invoke new, more stringent technological requirements on existing facilities, the state Legislature clearly did not consider the hardship implications of these homeowners when Title V was passed.

Forcing a small percentage of the town population to subsidize the building of 39 miles of public sewer mains in order to bail out homeowners with septic hardships is ludicrous.

The current betterment plan allotting 67 percent of the construction charges to the prospective new sewer users will cause severe hardships for elderly and fixed-income families. The 33 percent balance of charges assigned to the existing sewer rate-payers is illogical and unfair, since they get nothing in return for their portion of the betterment fees except higher sewer rates.

In my own situation, the \$16,250 betterment fee and interest equates to \$107 per month or approximately \$1,300 per year for 20 years. There are many other higher-priority home improvement projects where my wife and I would prefer to use this money, in comparison with installing sewer mains we do not need, do not want and will probably never use.

Based on my own research, hookup charge estimates could range from \$3,000 to more than \$10,000 depending on lot topography. Backyard septic designs with uphill hookup routes, such as is the case with my lot and several of my abutters, will be particularly expensive, since in some cases the use of a local sewer lift station will be required. Please note that none of this includes operating costs.

Total sewer capital cost, not including interest, for a typical homeowner will be on the order of \$20,000 to more than \$40,000. Compare this pricing to a Typical Title V system which costs on the order of \$5,000 to \$18,000. This excludes the \$25,000 Title V horror stories where homes were built in swamps and filled in wetlands when this practice was still legal, but these are a relative minority. A reasonable service life estimate for a properly maintained septic system is 20 to 40 years. This is a conservative figure since several of my neighbors have original systems 40-plus years old, and the former system at our property was 38 years old when it was replaced in 1993.

The 10-year average service life quoted by the town health director is misleading

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and is indicative of the maximum expected service life of a septic system which has not been maintained by the homeowner.

4. Sewer construction is a very high-risk financial project because digging in the ground always involves many unknowns that can significantly escalate cost.

I am a fluid systems design engineer registered in Massachusetts and New Hampshire, and have been involved in the design of several large piping construction projects involving excavation. The subdivision plan for my neighborhood (Linda Road and Nancy Circle) was filed in 1955. Several years ago, while compiling the required documentation in preparation to have my land surveyed, I discovered that the configuration of underground street utilities and drainage piping in my subdivision was never recorded on any engineering document on record with the town or Registry of Deeds. This was not an unusual practice in rural communities at that time. Consider the possible situation

with South Main Street, which was originally surveyed in 1928.

Construction contracting and engineering consulting in the 1990s involves low bidding on fixed-price contracts in order to win awards. Contractor profit-margin objectives are more often than not obtained via the change order process. Final costs for the proposed sewer extension will most likely be significantly higher than the current estimates as a result of contractor change orders.

5. Sewer is a community betterment affecting the quality of life of the entire town. Therefore, the entire town should finance sewer distribution.

Sewer expansion will enable new schools and public facilities to be built in areas where land quality previously did not permit the installation of large septic systems. For this added reason, sewer expansion should be funded by the entire town, just as tax revenue is used for new school construction, road maintenance, and public safety facility and vehicle capital purchases.

6. As discussed by numerous sources in the Andover Townsman, the Title V failure rate for South Andover is lower than the rest of the town.

Many Title V failures are the result of poor or no maintenance by the homeowner. Why should homeowners who properly maintain their septic systems finance other residents' self-induced hardships as a result of poor system maintenance or bad real estate investments?

7. The issue of potential upward spiraling sewer operating costs and its ultimate effect on the rate payers has not been addressed by any member of the town administration.

I am currently employed by an international water treatment system equipment manufacturing company in the metropolitan Boston area.

It is known in the waste water treatment industry that sewage effluent discharge requirements mandated by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and state Department of Environmental Protection are constantly getting more stringent. In particular, the practice of discharging even low concentrations of chlorine into the environment, which is associated with the final secondary effluent treatment process in our local sewage treatment plant, is under particular scrutiny by state and federal regulators because it is biologically damaging to the environment.

The current Greater Lawrence Sanitary District treatment plant in North Andover will inevitably require major technology improvements in the future in order to continue discharging sewage secondary effluent into the Merrimack River.

Also, keep in mind that the Merrimack is used for drinking water for numerous downstream communities, whose residents have concerns about sewage effluent discharge into their drinking water source. Treatment plant upgrades will someday result in millions and possibly billions of dollars of additional financial burden on the rate payers in the sanitary district.

Just talk to MWRA rate payers about the cost associated with the Boston Harbor Cleanup Project and construction of the Deer Island Treatment Plant. The annual cost associated with detoxification of millions of tons sewage sludge and final landfill disposal of this material are also spiraling since no one wants this type of hazardous waste buried in their community.

On the contrary, the control of septic system capital and operating costs rests largely in the hands of the homeowner, who can obtain years of satisfactory sys-

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"Hurry up and wait; Registry lines back"

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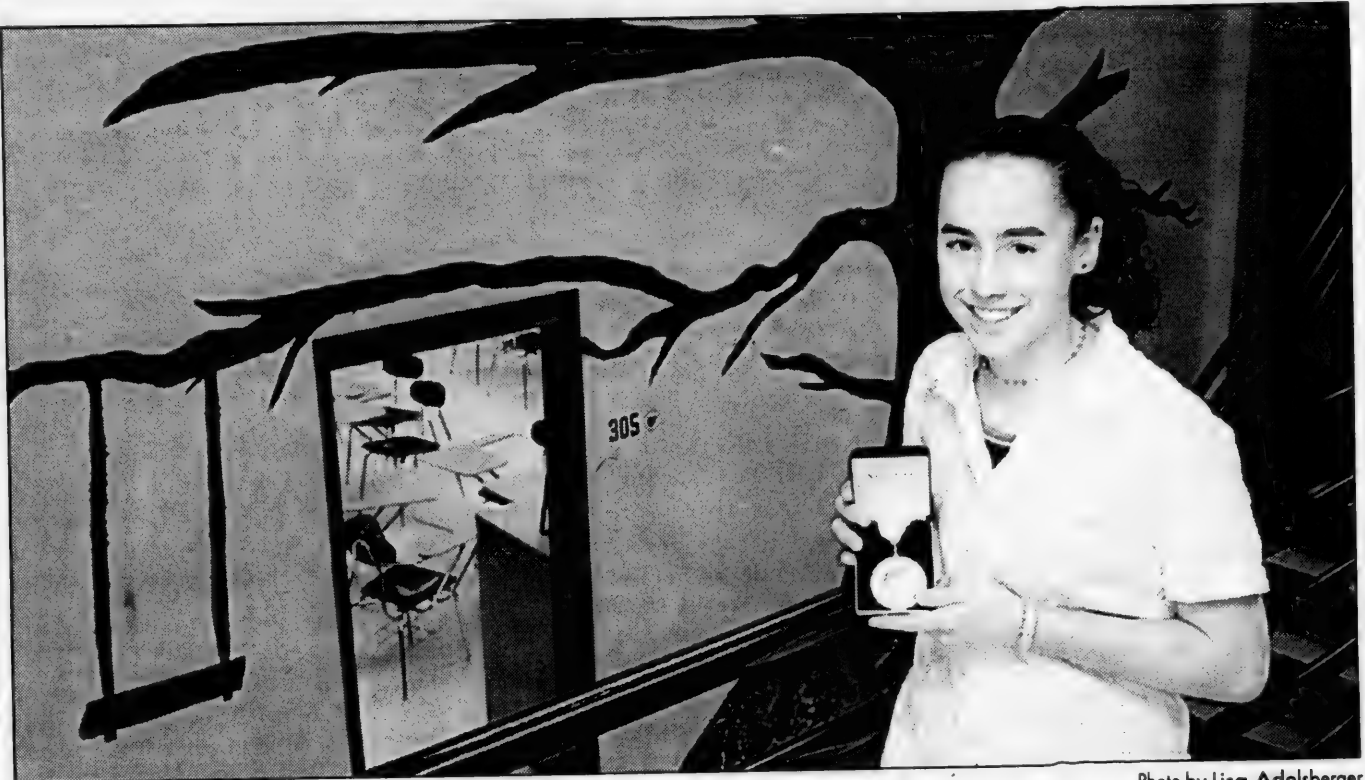


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4. Sewer construction is a very high-risk financial project because digging in the ground always involves many unknowns that can significantly escalate cost.

I am a fluid systems design engineer registered in Massachusetts and New Hampshire, and have been involved in the design of several large piping construction projects involving excavation. The subdivision plan for my neighborhood (Linda Road and Nancy Circle) was filed in 1955. Several years ago, while compiling the required documentation in preparation to have my land surveyed, I discovered that the configuration of underground street utilities and drainage piping in my subdivision was never recorded on any engineering document on record with the town or Registry of Deeds. This was not an unusual practice in rural communities at that time. Consider the possible situation

with South Main Street, which was originally surveyed in 1928.

Construction contracting and engineering consulting in the 1990s involves low bidding on fixed-price contracts in order to win awards. Contractor profit-margin objectives are more often than not obtained via the change order process. Final costs for the proposed sewer extension will most likely be significantly higher than the current estimates as a result of contractor change orders.

5. Sewer is a community betterment affecting the quality of life of the entire town. Therefore, the entire town should finance sewer distribution.

Sewer expansion will enable new schools and public facilities to be built in areas where land quality previously did not permit the installation of large septic systems. For this added reason, sewer expansion should be funded by the entire town, just as tax revenue is used for new school construction, road maintenance, and public safety facility and vehicle capital purchases.

6. As discussed by numerous sources in the Andover Townsman, the Title V failure rate for South Andover is lower than the rest of the town.

Many Title V failures are the result of poor or no maintenance by the homeowner. Why should homeowners who properly maintain their septic systems finance other residents' self-induced hardships as a result of poor system maintenance or bad real estate investments?

7. The issue of potential upward spiraling sewer operating costs and its ultimate effect on the rate payers has not been addressed by any member of the town administration.

I am currently employed by an international water treatment system equipment manufacturing company in the metropolitan Boston area.

It is known in the waste water treatment industry that sewage effluent discharge requirements mandated by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and state Department of Environmental Protection are constantly getting more stringent. In particular, the practice of discharging even low concentrations of chlorine into the environment, which is associated with the final secondary effluent treatment process in our local sewage treatment plant, is under particular scrutiny by state and federal regulators because it is biologically damaging to the environment.

The current Greater Lawrence Sanitary District treatment plant in North Andover will inevitably require major technology improvements in the future in order to continue discharging sewage secondary effluent into the Merrimack River.

Also, keep in mind that the Merrimack is used for drinking water for numerous downstream communities, whose residents have concerns about sewage effluent discharge into their drinking water source. Treatment plant upgrades will someday result in millions and possibly billions of dollars of additional financial burden on the rate payers in the sanitary district.

Just talk to MWRA rate payers about the cost associated with the Boston Harbor Cleanup Project and construction of the Deer Island Treatment Plant. The annual cost associated with detoxification of millions of tons sewage sludge and final landfill disposal of this material are also spiraling since no one wants this type of hazardous waste buried in their community.

On the contrary, the control of septic system capital and operating costs rests largely in the hands of the homeowner, who can obtain years of satisfactory sys-

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Parents can address school violence at PAC

A portion of the next Andover High School Parent Advisory Council (PAC) meeting will be set aside for discussion of parents' concerns stemming from the shooting deaths at Columbine High School in Littleton, Colo., says high school Principal, Larry Robinson.

The meeting is scheduled for Monday, May 10, at 7 p.m. in the Andover High School cafeteria.

Robinson sent a letter to students this week outlining the schools' policy on confidentiality, encouraging students to report to administrators when they feel others are in danger.

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Students say stay connected

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The series of workshops for middle school students and their parents, held by counselors, high school students and motivational speakers, was formerly known as "Bridging the Gap," said Health Education Department Coordinator Dave Nichols.

The theme of the day, he said, is that parents and their children don't have to be on opposing sides all the time, even through middle school and high school.

Workshops for students and parents to attend together were held by high school students including members of GUTS (Growing Up Taking a Stand), professional counselors and motivational speakers Ed Gerety and Mike Weber, Nichols said.

Edgerly said he sympathizes with his mother trying to raise a teen-ager.

"Parents have to let go and stay close at the same time. I feel so bad for my mom. I mean, I put her through a lot, but people still need hugs, even at the high school level," he said.

The panel of high school student government members included School Committee liaison Pete Edgerly, Sora Kim, Danielle Mendoza, Audra Alexander, Katie Buckley, Matt Spitzer, Kevin Hess, and Sue Polizzi.

School Committee members said they plan to be aggressive about keeping programs in place that keep students active outside of their academic life and connected with the community.

"This may be the most important topic we've discussed all year," said School Committee member Skip Eccles.



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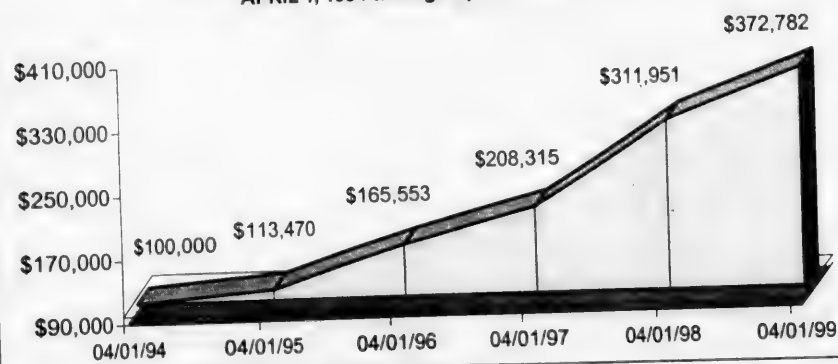
Scott Mancinelli, 12, Colin Brand, 13, and John Trachym, 13, enjoyed workshops Monday at Doherty Middle School. Students learned to make the transition between middle school and high school and deal with challenges such as decision-making and peer pressure through workshops at "Making Connections" this week at middle schools.

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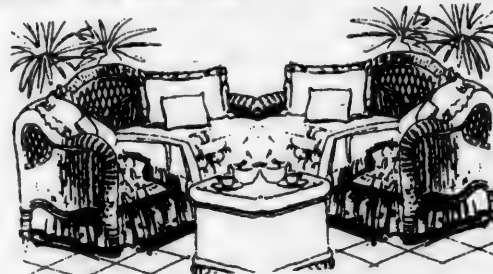
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Austin Preparatory School in Reading announced the names of Andover students named to its honor roll for the third quarter of the 1998-99 academic year.

Students awarded distinction, the highest honor, have achieved six grades of A- or better.

Students with high honors have achieved at least two A- grades with no grades lower than a B.

Students with honors have achieved at least five B-grades with no grade lower than a C.

Distinction: Brian Coffey.

High honors: Eric Donahue, Jyoti Folch, David Hartman, Elizabeth Mancuso, David Tanner, Patrick Rulon-Miller.

Honors: Craig Espinola, Amparo-Maria Folch, Taryn Kalman, Amanda Kwolyk, Matthew Leonard, Nicholas Lunger, Jason Ostrowski, Jill Pimentel, Matthew Pimentel, Anthony Rita, Matthew Samler, Caitlin Simili.

The following students in Andover High School's Next Wave Program, located at 6 Locke St., achieved high academic honors for the third quarter: Ben Carter, Shane Cashman and Denise St. Louis.

Eric Jenike and Craig Orzechowski received academic honors.

Jamie Kaplan, daughter of Leslie and Alan Kaplan of Andover, was inducted into the Harwich Chapter of the National Honor Society at Harwich High School on Cape Cod.

Daniel Sciabarrasi, a sophomore at Chapel Hill-Chauncy Hall School in Waltham, was named to the high honor roll for the third quarter. He is the son of James and Judith Sciabarrasi of Andover.

Several students at the Pike School have received recognition from the New England Math League for their performance in the League's annual contest.

Brian Fiske of Andover was the top scorer in the eighth grade and tied for first in Essex County. Pike's eighth grade team placed second in Essex County and 21st of the 236 schools participating in New England. In addition to Fiske, team members were Brandon Antonakos, Amy Malleck and Josh Williams of Andover and Joe Musumeci of North Andover.

Seventh-grader Ashwin Deshpande of

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SCHOOL LUNCH MENUS

Here's what's for lunch in the Andover public schools the week of May 10-14:

Elementary schools

Monday: Ravioli with salad, cheese pizza, baked chicken nuggets, vegetable, fruit, milk.

Tuesday: Chicken fajita with rice, egg McMuffin with hash browns, cheese dippers with marinara sauce, vegetable, fruit, milk.

Wednesday: Teriyaki pork strips over rice, pizza stick with soft pretzel, barbecue dippers, vegetable, tapioca pudding, fruit, milk.

Thursday: Roast turkey dinner, hot dog with vegetarian beans, french toast and ham/sausage, vegetable, fruit, milk.

Friday: Deli pita pocket with yogurt, pizza stick with soft pretzel, baked chicken nuggets, vegetable, fruit, milk.

Middle schools

Monday: Ravioli with salad, stuffed crust pizza, baked chicken nuggets, vegetable, fruit, milk.

Tuesday: Chicken fajita, two hot dogs with fries, cheeseburger with fries, vegetable, fruit, milk.

Wednesday: Teriyaki pork strips over rice, baked chicken nuggets, stuffed crust pizza, vegetable, fruit, milk.

Thursday: Roast turkey dinner, cheese dippers with marinara sauce, chicken McSchool, vegetable, fruit, milk.

Friday: Chicken salad pita with pasta salad, baked chicken nuggets, stuffed crust pizza, vegetable, fruit, milk.

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ON CAMPUS

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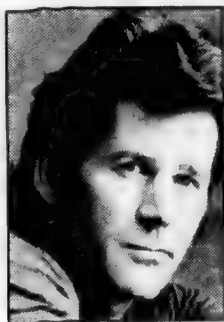


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Bradford College announced that award-winning author and educator **Andre Dubus III** will be the speaker at its 196th commencement Saturday, May 8. The ceremony will begin at

11 a.m. on the Library Green outside the Dorothy Bell Study Center.



Andre Dubus III

Dubus is the author of a collection of short fiction, *The Cage Keeper and Other Stories* (E.P. Dutton, 1989), and the novels *Bluesman* (Faber & Faber, 1993) and *House of Sand and Fog* (W.W. Norton, February 1999). Also an actor and carpenter, Dubus teaches writing in Emerson College's MFA in Writing program, and at Tufts University.

Scott Wagner, son of Florence and Henry Wagner of North Andover, is a recent graduate of Norwood Police Academy. The 1987 graduate of Andover High School has a B.S. degree in criminal justice and will serve as a police officer in Wellesley.

UMass Lowell art students recently displayed their work in the "Big

Show," the annual juried student exhibit.

Andover students **James Hopwood**, a senior in graphic design, and **Ellen Mullane**, a senior in fine arts, whose oil painting exhibit received an Award of Excellence, were among the 27 art students to take part in the exhibit. Mullane graduated from Andover High School.



Ellen Mullane

The exhibit featured student work in a variety of media completed in art classes at UMass Lowell. "The Big Show" awards were funded in part by a donation from Alaskan artist Carole Quam, who exhibited her work at UMass Lowell this past fall.

Scott F. Thompson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Thompson of 2 Belle Haven Drive, has been named to the dean's list for the fall 1998 semester at Assumption College in Worcester. He is in the class of 2002.

Lindsey Strube, daughter of Carl and Barbara Strube of Andover, was named to the dean's list and the provost's honor roll at the University of Miami in Coral Gables, Fla., for the 1998 fall semester. The freshman music theater major was also selected for membership in the Alpha Lambda Delta Honor Society.

Randy S. Romano, son of Deborah Romano and grandson of Thomas and Shirley Romano of Andover, was named to the dean's list at Boston College for the fall 1998 semester. Romano is a 1997 graduate of Andover High School.

Jenn Munroe, daughter of Stephen and Barbara Munroe of 10 Elysian Drive, is a recipient of the dean's award for academic excellence during the fall 1998 semester at Colgate University in Hamilton, N.Y. The 1996 graduate of Andover High School is concentrating in educational studies.

The following students from Andover were named to the dean's list at Middlesex Community College for the fall 1998 semester:

Nicole M. Brunelle, Stephen P. Cunha, Joseph G. Demko, Melissa A. Denoncourt, Sarah K. Ely, Gene C. Gauthier, Jessica Harlow, Robert T. Ota, Amy C. Rollfs, Brenda L. Shea.

Stacy A. Melillo of Andover graduated from the F.W. Olin Graduate School of Business at Babson College in Wellesley in September with a master of business administration degree. She is a senior

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Sarah A. Mainen of Andover was named to the dean's list at Roger Williams University in Bristol, R.I., for the fall 1998 semester. Students completing 12 or more credits per semester and earning a quality-point average of 3.4 are placed on the dean's list.

Jay M. Levine of Andover was named to the dean's list at Bates College in Lewiston, Maine, for the second semester of the 1998-99 academic year.

A student must maintain a better than "B" average for the semester, for a minimum quality-point ratio of 3.2.

The junior political science major is the son of Alan and Anita Levine of 29 Algonquin Ave. In 1997, he participated in the "Cuban Revolution" Short Term in Cuba and spent a semester of his

junior year studying in Spain. The 1996 graduate of Andover High School is a member of the squash team.

Nataliya Gorelik of Andover, an elementary education major, is among more than 95 juniors at Boston University's School of Education who recently dedicated themselves to the life of an educator at the 11th annual Junior



Nataliya Gorelik

Pinning and Affirmation ceremony. The ceremony, which began in 1989, is a formal occasion where juniors affirm their commitment to education and accept the responsibilities of the vocation before beginning their student teaching.

During the ceremony,

Gorelik recited an affirmation that is similar to the oaths taken by doctors and nurses upon entering their professions. It reads, in part: "I dedicate myself to laying the living foundations upon which successor generations must continue to build their lives. I dedicate myself to the advancement of learning, for I know that without it our successors will lack both the vision and the power to build well."

The 1996 graduate of Fort Lee High School in Fort Lee, N.J., is the daughter of Jeffrey and Bionie Gorelik of Brookside Drive.

Robert Kenny of 16 Wethersfield Drive, a Massachusetts Maritime Academy cadet, recently returned from a six-week training cruise from the campus in Buzzards Bay. The ship made stops in Cuba, Aruba, Barbados, the U.S. Virgin Islands and Miami.

Kenny was involved in all aspects of training, including

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SCHOLARS

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Andover placed first in his class, and tied for first place in Essex County and for third place in New England.

Pike's seventh-grade team placed third in Essex County. Deshpande's teammates were Heidi Adlman, Jai Chawla, and Ilana Segall of Andover and David Tomich of Lynnfield.

Sixth-grader Justin Schaefer of North Reading ranked first in his class and third in Essex County. The sixth-grade team tied for second place in the county. Schaefer's team included Emily Bargar and Sara Helmers of Andover, Meredith McCarthy of Salem, N.H., and Dan Pappalardo of Methuen.

Pike has participated in the New England Math League Contest for more than 15 years and its students have consistently been honored.

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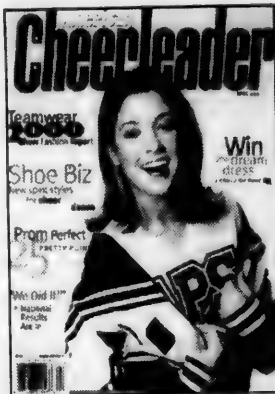
Jason S. Der Ananian, son of Souran and Gail Der Ananian of Andover, has been named to the dean's list at the University of Virginia in Charlottesville, Va., for the fall 1998 semester. The second year student in the Engineering School is a graduate of Phillips Academy. The former newspaper

carrier received *The Eagle Tribune* Scholarship Award in 1997.

Jeff Dennis of Andover, a junior in music business, was one of UMass Lowell music students and musical ensemble members to help the department of music faculty host the All-State Jazz Festival.

The top 25 to 30 high school jazz bands from the Northeast area competed for awards that mark the culmination of months of serious practice and competition.

Kristina Deduck of Andover, a sophomore majoring in biological science/neuroscience at the University of Rochester, has been named to the fall 1998 dean's list for academic achievement. She is a graduate of Andover High School.



Jill Pimentel

Jill Pimentel of Andover, a senior at Austin Preparatory School in Reading, has been named cheerleader of the month and appeared on the cover of the *American Cheerleader* magazine's April issue (pictured above). Pimentel is the first cheerleader from the northeast to achieve this honor. She will attend Merrimack College in the fall and plans to continue cheerleading.

community organizations and study of Ireland's history, literature, theater and contemporary social and political structures. She will also spend a month living in rural Ireland and travel to the Aran Islands and Donegal. Alsop is double-majoring in international affairs and English.

Edward J. Buscema, son of Mr. and Mrs. Edward S. Buscema of 20 Lincoln St., has been

named to the dean's list for the fall 1998 semester at Assumption College in Worcester. He is in the class of 2000.

Bentley College in Waltham announced the names of five Andover residents named to the dean's list for outstanding academic achievement, and the president's list for extraordinary academic achievement in the fall semester.

Ammon Adams, a sophomore undecided business major, was named to the president's list.

Michael Monteiro, a freshman undecided business major, **Jennifer Solomon-Beloin**, a sophomore international culture and economic major, **Masiar Tayebi**, a sophomore undecided business major, and **Alexandra Tice**, a sophomore finance major, were named to the dean's list.

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Money ...

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high. Figures provided by the town show "regular earnings" for patrolmen range from about \$25,000 to \$54,000; from the mid-40s to nearly \$70,000 for sergeants; and from the low 50s to about \$85,000 for lieutenants.

Clearly, much of what puts patrolmen or sergeants in the top income tier overtime or extra details. In some cases, a significant amount of police or firefighter detail pay doesn't even come from local tax dollars, since when they work private details, they are paid by the company or the utility that hires them. Still, it is the fact that they are public safety employees that gives them the right to work those details, and the money is paid to them through the town.

And when rank and file or junior officers make tens of thousands of dollars more than the chiefs of the respective departments, some critics have questioned whether there should be some limit on the amount of extra work officers do, to insure that they are alert and ready to work their usual shifts.

The public safety chiefs argue, as chiefs do in most communities, that it is a bit unfair to compare what police and firefighters make with teachers, since teachers can work summer jobs for a couple of months and not have that income show up on the public payroll.

But Police Chief Brian Pattullo says he does limit the number of extra hours an officer can work, to 16 in a 24-hour period.

Beyond that, however, he defends the extra income. "If you look at the cost of living, people need this (extra details) to supplement their income," he says.

Pattullo says he thinks police and firefighters should be paid more in their base salaries, since "we've been transitioning from a blue-collar environment to one that is professional. It's no longer just walking the beat and shaking doors."

He adds, however, that the department's superior officers' union has "worked with the town to hold salaries to a reasonable level, by bringing salary differentials down a bit. They gave to save, and I give them credit for it."

Fire Chief Harold Wright says the overtime has become an issue in recent years because it has become so much more expensive.

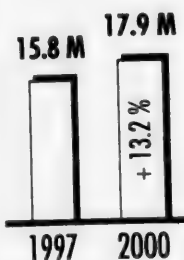
"When I started, I was making \$3 an hour," he says, "and there was no time and a half for overtime. So nobody cared if you worked hundred of extra hours."

"But then again, back then, people weren't trying to buy million-dollar houses."

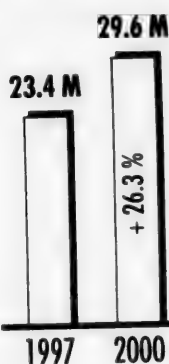
Wright says he doesn't try to place a limit on overtime in the department because most of those in his department,

SALARY ACCOUNTS

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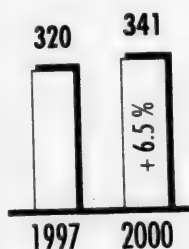


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"can't afford homes in this town anyway, at least the ones starting out."

"We're all in the same boat," he says, "trying to pay the mortgage and get the kids through college."

Town Manager Buzz Stapczynski says he is concerned about overtime, but says it is a complicated issue, since sometimes a department has to pay it to maintain staffing levels if an officer is out sick or on disability.

"But," he says, "it does stick out when you look at the budget from year to year, so that's where the FinCom is holding our feet to the fire."

While public safety workers easily make the most money as individuals, it is clearly the schools that take the biggest bite of the salary budget overall in the

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Town employee compensation

Name	Department	'98 income
Johnson, James F.	Police Chief	169,977
Ricci, Arthur J.	Police Lieutenant	127,887
Lynch, John K.	Police Lieutenant	115,543
Hashem, James D.	Police Sergeant	109,866
Lynch, James R.	Fire Deputy Chiefs	104,900
Clark, Lincoln O.	Fire Deputy Chiefs	100,930
Boush, Robert J.	Fire Deputy Chiefs	100,403
Bernhardt, John F.	Police Sergeant	99,846
Murnane, Charles H. Jr.	Fire Deputy Chiefs	99,762
Hagerty, Timothy M.	Police Patrolman	99,039
Heseltine, Charles E.	Police Patrolman	95,614
Enos, Richard W.	Police Lieutenant	94,904
Leonard, Daniel F.	Police Patrolman	94,721
Wright, Harold J.	Fire Chief	94,657
Edson, Richard M.	Police Patrolman	93,637
Pathiakakis, John N.	Police Patrolman	93,003
Hartman, Richard J.	Fire Deputy Chiefs	92,605
Burke, Kevin	Police Patrolman	91,722
Stapczynski, Reginald	Town Manager	91,698
Wallace, William J. Jr.	Police Patrolman	90,960
Froburg, Phillip E.	Police Lieutenant	88,454
Winters, Kevin J.	Police Lieutenant	87,956
Pattullo, Donald H.	Police Patrolman	87,928
Pattullo, Brian J.	Police Chief	86,282
McGrath, Marinel	Schools	86,103
Martellini, Stephen P.	Police Patrolman	85,518
Peterson, Randall J.	Police Patrolman	84,729
Houlihan, John P.	Police Lieutenant	83,128
Friel, Charles M. Jr.	Schools	82,711
Reilly, James S.	Police Sergeant	82,643
MacKenzie, William K. Jr.	Police Sergeant	82,601
Radford, Colin D.	Police Patrolman	82,463
Avery, Steven C.	Police Lieutenant	82,234
Murphy, Theresa G.	Schools	82,128
McManus, Floyd J.	Schools	81,923
Torrisi, Anthony J.	Finance & Budget	81,505
McQuade, Robert F.	DPW Administration	80,480
Reitman, Jade Auger	Schools	80,352
Simms, Vicki L.	Schools	80,247
Woods, Eileen	Schools	80,006
Britton, Lee J.	Police Patrolman	79,875
Siopes, Thomas F.	Police Lieutenant	79,227
Ouellette, William	Police Patrolman	79,155
Haggerty, James E.	Police Patrolman	78,409
McCarthy, Norah	Schools	78,225
Collins, Harry T. Jr.	Police Patrolman	78,214
Piantadosi, Joseph R.	P & F Administration	77,382
Hurley, James R.	Schools	77,311
Tuttle, Bernard	Schools	76,511
Hagerty, Ronald M.	Police Patrolman	75,723
Richardson, Stephen C.	Schools	75,717
Milne, George D.	Fire Lieutenant	75,482
Moses, James R.	Police Patrolman	75,177
Connors, Kevin J.	Fire Lieutenant	74,858
Krajeski, William J.	Assessors	74,749
Tode, Raymond Jr.	Schools	73,406
Pellerin, Kenneth J.	Schools	73,346
Dolan, James J.	Fire Lieutenant	73,274
Canane, William E.	Police Patrolman	73,244
Connolly, Barbara E.	Police Sergeant	72,715
Guilmette, Armand	Fire Lieutenant	72,564
Jankauskas, Stephen C.	Schools	72,374
Duffy, Maryellen	Schools	72,176

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Employee compensation ...

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Covino, Anthony M.	Schools	72,150	Mailey, Marie Sica	Schools	61,543
Roberts, Lois D.	Schools	71,809	Poirier, Craig F.	Police Patrolman	61,486
McCabe, Maureen	Schools	71,809	Morris, William EB	Firefighters	61,393
Lynch, David F.	Fire Lieutenant	71,734	Newcomb, Phillip C.	DPW Highway Department	61,371
Smith, Rodney, P.	Town Accountant	71,566	Coltin, Ethel T.	Schools	61,343
Cuticchia, James A.	Fire Lieutenant	71,286	Rickley, Judith A.	Schools	61,312
Iworsley, Arthur W.	Schools	70,651	Hall, Candace	Personnel	61,196
Picard, Henry J. Jr.	Police Sergeant	70,634	Greenwood, James R.	DPW Water Department	61,195
Bourdelaïs, Richard J.	Schools	70,436	Wilson, Sharon M.	Schools	61,185
Maki, Bruce	Schools	70,048	Rossini, Walter J.	Schools	61,167
			O'Brien, Sarah G.	Schools	61,149
			Thomson, George P. Jr.	Firefighters	61,103
			Kwajewski, Kenneth A.	Schools	61,095
			Mokler, Ellen	Schools	61,083
			Lynch, Michael W.	Schools	61,081
			Burke, Karen	Schools	61,024
			Gorrie, Scott A.	Firefighters	61,004
			Taylor, Lester H. Jr.	Schools	60,888
			Redmond, James Jr.	Schools	60,888
			Ota, Glen K.	Police Patrolman	60,862
			Plamondon, Holly B.	Schools	60,817
			Costello, Kerry A.	Schools	60,760
			Hutchinson, Sue A.	Schools	60,722
			Schwartz, Winifred L.	Schools	60,673
			Browning, Bonnie Jean	Schools	60,666
			Warwick, Gwendolyn H.	Schools	60,553
			Ryan, Winston C.	Schools	60,541
			Littlefield, Robert C.	Schools	60,524
			Wilde, AnnMarie	Schools	60,510
			Lynch, Charlotte J.	Schools	60,469
			Minkinen, Allan J.	Schools	60,449
			Fenton, Margaret M.	Schools	60,390
			Cahill, Joseph P.	Firefighters	60,357
			Loehr, William D.	Firefighters	60,235
			Dahlstrand, Maryellen	Schools	60,198
			Seligman, Lois E.	Schools	60,164
			Thomson, Patricia A.	Schools	60,092
			Jamison, Grace W.	Schools	60,047
			Crane, Irene C.	Schools	60,038
			Polgreen, Frederick C.	Schools	59,989
			Buchanan, Douglas L.	Schools	59,979
			Velonis, Irene	Schools	59,959
			Pierce, John B.	Schools	59,939
			Piolunek, Judith C.	Schools	59,851
			Adamian, Denise	Schools	59,847
			Rozzi, Louise M.	Schools	59,831
			White, Judith Griffin	Schools	59,799
			Walmsley, Robert J.	Schools	59,647
			Wettergreen, Charles Jr.	Schools	59,610
			Walsh, Martha A.	Schools	59,610
			Walshe, V. Douglas	Schools	59,609
			Rogers, Susan D.	Schools	59,609
			Igoe, Daniel G.	Police Patrolman	59,595
			Freedman, Annetta R.	Schools	59,560
			Rapisardi, Gene D.	Schools	59,557
			Guess, Alison C.	Schools	59,489
			Eiserman, Louis E.	Schools	59,489
			Pendergrass, Jean E.	Schools	59,474
			Byrne, Michael J.	Schools	59,470
			Silva, David J.	Schools	59,468
			Arsenault, Daryl R.	Schools	59,414
			Valle, Richard F.	Schools	59,406
			Meyers, Thomas E.	Schools	59,350
			Merola, Richard A.	Fire Lieutenant	59,349
			Rapisardi, Francis J.	Schools	59,297
			Dewire, Bruce A.	Schools	59,290
			Galvagna, Carmelina F.	Schools	59,272
			Dillon, Richard F.	DPW Water Department	59,254
			Snow, Jane E.	Schools	59,249
			Pellerin, Maureen G.	Schools	59,249
			Palardy, Theresa E.	Schools	59,237
			Thomas, Timothy B.	Schools	59,222
			Cassidy, Mary M.	Schools	59,200
			Tenero, Laura E.	Schools	59,112
			Seavey, Eileen M.	Schools	59,110
			Consentino, Teresa	Schools	59,092
			Palen, James J.	DPW Water Department	59,070
			Lague, Robert A.	Schools	58,992
			Cayot, Albert W.	Schools	58,911
			Gangi, David W.	Schools	58,831
			Boulanger, Philip R.	Firefighters	58,810
			Crawford, Kathryn S.	Schools	58,807
Sutton, James E.	Library	69,884			
Stabile, Robert A.	Fire Lieutenant	69,814			
Sullivan, George F.	Schools	69,789			
Vallante, Anthony F.	Police Patrolman	69,685			
O'Neill, Michael J.	Fire Lieutenant	69,591			
Lafond, Leo E. Jr.	Schools	69,460			
Beaudoin, Pamela	Schools	69,366			
Kolben, Diana W.	Schools	69,069			
O'Brien, Brenda C.	Schools	69,037			
Roos, Elizabeth	Schools	68,321			
Pomerleau, Todd R.	Fire Lieutenant	68,019			
Loschi, Richard P.	Schools	67,872			
Bamford, James L.	P & F Parks Department	67,798			
Lippmann, Karl H.	Schools	67,660			
Pierce, Lawrence N.	Fire Lieutenant	67,478			
Canavan, John F. Jr.	DPW Highway Department	67,357			
Winward, Walter T.	Fire Lieutenant	67,284			
Darrin, John W. Jr.	Schools	67,274			
Lawson, Robert F.	Schools	67,189			
Maglio, Kenneth P.	Schools	67,060			
Hatem, Robert E.	Schools	67,030			
Shannon, Eileen	Schools	66,933			
Bunn, Barbara E.	Schools	66,653			
Parkhurst, Julia K.	Schools	66,634			
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Duffley, Jane	Schools	65,655			
Higginbottom, Edward J.	Police Patrolman	65,453			
Harding, David T.	P & F Administration	65,409			
Costello, Katherine A.	Schools	65,347			
Buchanan, Carol A.	Schools	65,052			
Poulin, Arthur W.	Fire Lieutenant	64,723			
Spanos, George J.	Schools	64,659			
Gilmore, Kaija M.	Community Development	64,603			
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Penney, Everett F. Jr.	Community Development	64,241			
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Kelley, Shawn P.	Firefighters	63,699			
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Noga, Barbara	Schools	63,339			
Parker, Kenneth H. Jr.	P & F Building Maintenance	63,161			
Moore, Brian W.	DPW Engineering	63,161			
Pollano, John J.	DPW Water Department	63,161			
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Canlon, Kathleen M.	Schools	63,050			
Horne, Katharine D.	Schools	62,992			
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Borrello, Candace B.	Schools	62,823			
Drummond, William C.	Schools	62,789			
Connor, Edward M.	Firefighters	62,733			
Pitochelli, Mary V.	Schools	62,708			
Zalla, Kathleen A.	Schools	62,690			
McCormick, Dorothy	Schools	62,683			
Ferris, Maurice Jr.	Schools	62,578			
Givens, John C.	Schools	62,571			
Lane, Dennis J.	Police Patrolman	62,531			
Belbin, Bruce L.	Firefighters	62,332			
Eichner, Paula J.	Schools	62,290			
Halsted, W. Douglas III	Schools	62,110			
Orban, Chester	Schools	61,992			
Eckoff, Sheila H.	Schools	61,731			
Hale, Kevin J.	DPW Highway Department	61,612			
Ragnio, Paul J.	Schools	61,578			
Larschan, Rosalind	Schools	61,568			
Redmond, Carolyn	Schools	61,557			

Dalton, Richard A.	Firefighters	58,785	Orlando, Margaret R.	Schools	56,923
Haszard, Judith	Schools	58,683	Stabile, Stephen T.	Firefighters	56,810
Sweeney, Patricia M.	Schools	58,671	Yedinak, Janet	Schools	56,809
Look, Linda J.	Schools	58,671	Pinkowski, Gayle	Schools	56,798
Simpson, Craig B.	Schools	58,632	Evans, Richard M.	Schools	56,772
Pattullo, Clifford	Firefighters	58,616	Landry, James L.	Firefighters	56,763
Finegold, Sondra J.	Schools	58,532	Senee, John K.	Firefighters	56,730
Thornton, Barry S.	Firefighters	58,509	Briggs, Helen G.	Schools	56,726
McKenna, Thomas R.	Schools	58,485	Rurack, Valerie	Schools	56,716
Champagne, Virginia	Schools	58,453	Lynch, Jacqueline M.	Firefighters	56,698
Guillet, Daniel N.	Firefighters	58,427	Surette, Michael A.	Firefighters	56,691
Cronin, Robert J.	Police Patrolman	58,389	Levinson, Ann	Schools	56,558
McMahon, Nancy	Schools	58,388	Burke, Matthew E.	Firefighters	56,531
Giammasi, Michael A.	Firefighters	58,159	Cullinane, Evelyn M.	Schools	56,530
Parker, Chandler B.	Schools	58,155	Shiff, Beth N.	Schools	56,498
Beal, Ryan T.	Firefighters	58,150	St. Amand, Kathleen M.	Schools	56,425
Hastings, Joseph M. III	Police Patrolman	58,103	Wu, Elsie S.	Schools	56,278
Ricker, Lynn	Schools	58,014	Richards, Nancy E.	Library	56,273
Agnew, Thomas H.	Firefighters	58,008	Infantine, Susan	Schools	56,253
Kessler, Robert J.	Schools	58,005	Vocell, Ernest T.	Firefighters	56,229
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Wrobel, Evelyn C.	Schools	57,746	McManus, Donna Giuffre	Schools	56,032
Prasad, Carol	Schools	57,735	McGrath, Joyce A.	Schools	56,027
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Colyer, Stephen L.	Community Development	57,653	Bourie, Clifford	Schools	55,999
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Blake, June L.	Schools	57,293	Goldin, Josephine	Schools	55,379
Campbell, John A.	Firefighters	57,219	Parker, Karen E.	Schools	55,378
McSurdy, James M.	DPW Water Department	57,035	Gray, Morris B. Jr.	DPW Water Department	55,342
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Brucato, Gregory P.	DPW Water Department	56,987	Barry, Jane	Schools	55,047

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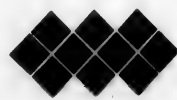
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Covino, Anthony M.	Schools	72,150
Roberts, Lois D.	Schools	71,809
McCabe, Maureen	Schools	71,809
Lynch, David F.	Fire Lieutenant	71,734
Smith, Rodney, P.	Town Accountant	71,566
Cuticchia, James A.	Fire Lieutenant	71,286
Iworsley, Arthur W.	Schools	70,651
Picard, Henry J. Jr.	Police Sergeant	70,634
Bourdelaïs, Richard J.	Schools	70,436
Maki, Bruce	Schools	70,048
Sutton, James E.	Library	69,884
Stabile, Robert A.	Fire Lieutenant	69,814
Sullivan, George F.	Schools	69,789
Vallante, Anthony F.	Police Patrolman	69,685
O'Neill, Michael J.	Fire Lieutenant	69,591
Lafond, Leo E. Jr.	Schools	69,460
Beaudoin, Pamela	Schools	69,366
Kolben, Diana W.	Schools	69,069
O'Brien, Brenda C.	Schools	69,037
Roos, Elizabeth	Schools	68,321
Pomerleau, Todd R.	Fire Lieutenant	68,019
Loschi, Richard P.	Schools	67,872
Bamford, James L.	P & F Parks Department	67,798
Lippmann, Karl H.	Schools	67,660
Pierce, Lawrence N.	Fire Lieutenant	67,478
Canavan, John F. Jr.	DPW Highway Department	67,357
Winward, Walter T.	Fire Lieutenant	67,284
Darrin, John W. Jr.	Schools	67,274
Lawson, Robert F.	Schools	67,189
Maglio, Kenneth P.	Schools	67,060
Hatem, Robert E.	Schools	67,030
Shannon, Eileen	Schools	66,933
Bunn, Barbara E.	Schools	66,653
Parkhurst, Julia K.	Schools	66,634
Amundsen, David L.	Schools	66,596
Jankauskas, Elizabeth M.	Schools	65,962
Duffley, Jane	Schools	65,655
Higginbottom, Edward J.	Police Patrolman	65,453
Harding, David T.	P & F Administration	65,409
Costello, Katherine A.	Schools	65,347
Buchanan, Carol A.	Schools	65,052
Poulin, Arthur W.	Fire Lieutenant	64,723
Spanos, George J.	Schools	64,659
Gilmore, Kaija M.	Community Development	64,603
Wartman, Michael A.	Schools	64,592
Penney, Everett F. Jr.	Community Development	64,241
Cain, Peggy F.	Schools	64,078
Del Dotto, Albert G. Jr.	Fire Lieutenant	63,979
Kelley, Shawn P.	Firefighters	63,699
Marcoux, Michael L.	Schools	63,513
Zappala, Sheila M.	Schools	63,470
Noga, Barbara	Schools	63,339
Parker, Kenneth H. Jr.	P & F Building Maintenance	63,161
Moore, Brian W.	DPW Engineering	63,161
Pollano, John J.	DPW Water Department	63,161
Gleason, John F.	Schools	63,149
St. Jean, David L.	Police Patrolman	63,120
Canlon, Kathleen M.	Schools	63,050
Horne, Katharine D.	Schools	62,992
Mirisola, Robert A.	Schools	62,928
Borrello, Candace B.	Schools	62,823
Drummond, William C.	Schools	62,789
Connor, Edward M.	Firefighters	62,733
Pitochelli, Mary V.	Schools	62,708
Zalla, Kathleen A.	Schools	62,690
McCormick, Dorothy	Schools	62,683
Ferris, Maurice Jr.	Schools	62,578
Givens, John C.	Schools	62,571
Lane, Dennis J.	Police Patrolman	62,531
Belbin, Bruce L.	Firefighters	62,332
Eichner, Paula J.	Schools	62,290
Halsted, W. Douglas III	Schools	62,110
Orban, Chester	Schools	61,992
Eckoff, Sheila H.	Schools	61,731
Hale, Kevin J.	DPW Highway Department	61,612
Ragnio, Paul J.	Schools	61,578
Larschan, Rosalind	Schools	61,568
Redmond, Carolyn	Schools	61,557

Mailey, Marie Sica	Schools	61,543
Poirier, Craig F.	Police Patrolman	61,486
Morris, William EB	Firefighters	61,393
Newcomb, Phillip C.	DPW Highway Department	61,371
Coltin, Ethel T.	Schools	61,343
Rickley, Judith A.	Schools	61,312
Hall, Candace	Personnel	61,196
Greenwood, James R.	DPW Water Department	61,195
Wilson, Sharon M.	Schools	61,185
Rossini, Walter J.	Schools	61,167
O'Brien, Sarah G.	Schools	61,149
Thomson, George P. Jr.	Firefighters	61,103
Kwajewski, Kenneth A.	Schools	61,095
Mokler, Ellen	Schools	61,083
Lynch, Michael W.	Schools	61,081
Burke, Karen	Schools	61,024
Gorrie, Scott A.	Firefighters	61,004
Taylor, Lester H. Jr.	Schools	60,888
Redmond, James Jr.	Schools	60,888
Ota, Glen K.	Police Patrolman	60,862
Plamondon, Holly B.	Schools	60,817
Costello, Kerry A.	Schools	60,760
Hutchinson, Sue A.	Schools	60,722
Schwartz, Winifred L.	Schools	60,673
Browning, Bonnie Jean	Schools	60,666
Warwick, Gwendolyn H.	Schools	60,553
Ryan, Winston C.	Schools	60,541
Littlefield, Robert C.	Schools	60,524
Wilde, AnnMarie	Schools	60,510
Lynch, Charlotte J.	Schools	60,469
Minkinen, Allan J.	Schools	60,449
Fenton, Margaret M.	Schools	60,390
Cahill, Joseph P.	Firefighters	60,357
Loehr, William D.	Firefighters	60,235
Dahlstrand, Maryellen	Schools	60,198
Seligman, Lois E.	Schools	60,164
Thomson, Patricia A.	Schools	60,092
Jamison, Grace W.	Schools	60,047
Crane, Irene C.	Schools	60,038
Polgreen, Frederick C.	Schools	59,989
Buchanan, Douglas L.	Schools	59,979
Velonis, Irene	Schools	59,959
Pierce, John B.	Schools	59,939
Piolunek, Judith C.	Schools	59,851
Adamian, Denise	Schools	59,847
Rozzi, Louise M.	Schools	59,831
White, Judith Griffin	Schools	59,799
Walmsley, Robert J.	Schools	59,647
Wettergreen, Charles Jr.	Schools	59,610
Walsh, Martha A.	Schools	59,610
Walshe, V. Douglas	Schools	59,609
Rogers, Susan D.	Schools	59,609
Igoe, Daniel G.	Police Patrolman	59,595
Freedman, Annetta R.	Schools	59,560
Rapisardi, Gene D.	Schools	59,557
Guess, Alison C.	Schools	59,489
Eiserman, Louis E.	Schools	59,489
Pendergrass, Jean E.	Schools	59,474
Byrne, Michael J.	Schools	59,470
Silva, David J.	Schools	59,468
Arsenault, Daryl R.	Schools	59,414
Valle, Richard F.	Schools	59,406
Meyers, Thomas E.	Schools	59,350
Merola, Richard A.	Fire Lieutenant	59,349
Rapisardi, Francis J.	Schools	59,297
Dewire, Bruce A.	Schools	59,290
Galvagna, Carmelina F.	Schools	59,272
Dillon, Richard F.	DPW Water Department	59,254
Snow, Jane E.	Schools	59,249
Pellerin, Maureen G.	Schools	59,249
Palardy, Theresa E.	Schools	59,237
Thomas, Timothy B.	Schools	59,222
Cassidy, Mary M.	Schools	59,200
Tenero, Laura E.	Schools	59,112
Seavey, Eileen M.	Schools	59,110
Consentino, Teresa	Schools	59,092
Palen, James J.	DPW Water Department	59,070
Lague, Robert A.	Schools	58,992
Cayot, Albert W.	Schools	58,911
Gangi, David W.	Schools	58,831
Boulanger, Philip R.	Firefighters	58,810
Crawford, Kathryn S.	Schools	58,807

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Lord, Antoinette E.	Schools	54,913
Smith, Barbara F.	Schools	54,839
Sullivan, Dennis H.	Firefighters	54,768
Hinckley, Donald	Firefighters	54,639
Lee, Keng-Jen	Schools	54,619
Baker, Fred H.	Schools	54,619
French, Mary N.	Schools	54,503
Shaw, Eileen	Schools	54,481
Milne, David J.	Police Patrolman	54,087
Neal, Richard E.	Schools	53,871
Moore, Kevin P.	Firefighters	53,710
Heidenrich, John	Schools	53,538
Zenofsky, Joan	Schools	53,504
Tomlinson, Mary L.	Schools	53,461
Cook, Kathleen D.	Schools	53,440
Francis, Ronald	Schools	53,389
McDermott, Clarissa	Schools	53,358
Baldwin, Jane B.	Schools	53,358
Hines, John W.	Firefighters	53,355
Davis, Linda M.	Schools	53,353
McLellan, Susan	Schools	53,333
Pappa, Karen A.	Schools	53,116
Fitzgibbons, Janice A.	Schools	52,910
Palmer, Judith A.	Schools	52,838
Tisbert, Norman Jr.	DPW Highway Department	52,732
Bach, Claudia L. (half year)	Schools	52,499
Buss, Michael J.	Community Development	52,443
Ferris, Garrett E.	Firefighters	52,398
Bennett, Bridget G.	Library	52,393
Salinas, Richard	Community Development	52,391
Tufano, Ralph	DPW Highway Department	52,300
Marcille, Walter E.	Schools	52,237
Merola, Wayne R.	Firefighters	52,210
Fazio, David	Schools	52,187
Sonntag, M. Jane	Schools	52,039
Thurber, Roger J.	Schools	51,910
Lazarakis, Felicia	Schools	51,901
Finn, Jean C.	Schools	51,895
Gray, Edith L.	Schools	51,880
Iworsley, Katherine V.	Schools	51,790
Denis, Audrey-Lynn	Police Central Dispatching	51,691
Trepanier, Ruth A.	Schools	51,685
Drueke, Renee	Schools	51,616
Neal, Barbara E.	Schools	51,565
Guerin, Bonnie J.	Schools	51,518
Lynch, Raymond J.	Firefighters	51,516
Young, Marcia E.T.	Schools	51,430
Huston, David E.	Schools	51,430
Samra, Jo Ann B.	Schools	51,393
Ebersole, Bennie M.	Schools	51,310
Ghirardini, Nancy P.	Schools	51,053
Pelletier, Robert G. Jr.	Firefighters	51,039

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Plant foes get qualified selectmen support

By Rebecca Lipchitz

The Board of Selectmen voted this week to apply to the state for intervenor status with the Energy Facilities Siting Board, in order to give the town some legal leverage in the permitting process of the proposed Dracut power plant.

That vote was in partial support of Article 89 on the Town Meeting warrant, which will probably be voted Monday or Tuesday of next week. The article seeks \$50,000 for attorneys fees and scientific research to oppose the plant, and has the backing of members of the Board of Health and local environmental activists.

Environmentalists with the Merrimack Valley Residents for the Environment (MVRE), who mobilized to oppose the proposed Nickel Hill Energy Project power plant on the Brox Property in Dracut, sponsored Article 89, which also seeks to have the group apply for intervenor status in the siting process of the power plant.

Town Counsel Tom Urbelis says the money from the town budget cannot be given to a private organization, but could be used for an application by the town.

So the selectmen's support of Article

89 came with an amendment that would give the town, not MVRE, intervenor status. The board also amended the article to remove the word "oppose" in case the town wants to strike a deal.

Board of Health member Dr. Daniel Coleman says the town may not want to oppose the plant if there was a guarantee that a more polluting plant would be put out of business.

After the meeting, MVRE members indicated they might still oppose the new plant even if a deal were made.

"It's not only an issue of our air emissions. There are a lot of other issues we're looking at," says Laura Jordan of MVRE.

In order to be approved, plant developers must obtain permits from entities including Dracut, the state Department of Environmental Protection, the federal Environmental Protection Agency, and the state Energy Facilities Siting Board (EFSB). Parties granted intervenor status by the EFSB have legal clout, access to information, the right to cross examine witnesses and the right to appeal some decisions in the siting process, unlike independent persons speaking about the project at public hearings.

MVRE members say they plan to apply to the EFSB for their own intervenor status.

"It's the only way you can have any meaningful say," Jordan says.

MVRE member Sheryl Poole says she proposed the article because she feels the pollution from the proposed plant would affect the entire town, not just the West Andover neighborhood across the river from the site, residents of which spearheaded efforts to oppose the plant.

Poole says MVRE's volunteer efforts so far have been productive but need financial help from the town to gain intervenor status.

"We need resources to continue," she says.

Constellation Power spokesman Kurt Sanborn says he was encouraged that selectmen removed the word "oppose" from the article, and took the move as a sign that selectmen are willing to communicate and with developers and be open to the idea that the plant would be built.

Neil Fater contributed to this report.

Selectmen notes

Selectmen fight change in and out of town

By Neil Fater

Residents who want Andover to retain its small-town status quo had to like Monday's selectmen's meeting.

First, Town Manager Buzz Stapczynski announced that the selectmen's opposition to Keno at the Ground Round had caused the restaurant to quash its Keno-acquiring efforts.

Even after learning that Keno already existed in town at the Grill 93, selectmen still opposed another restaurant getting the gambling game, and planned to fight the Ground Round at a state hearing. Apparently because of this, the restaurant folded its hand, said Stapczynski.

"That will be the end of that issue," he said.

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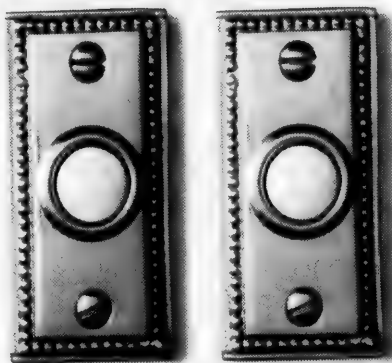
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Selectmen ...

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In other news, selectmen also appear ready to help residents fight to tear down a cellular phone tower built just over the Lawrence line, and possibly help others oppose the building of a Dracut power plant near the Andover town line.

Selectmen unanimously recommended that Town Meeting voters provide \$50,000 for officials to acquire intervener status and, potentially, to fight the building of the power plant (see related story, page 21). They also recommended \$40,000 for officials to use to help residents fight to tear down the Lawrence tower built by Nextel Communications.

In neither case will the money be used directly by the resident groups opposing the construction.

Shepley Street area residents say they first knew the Nextel tower would be built when they came home to find it casting a shadow in their neighborhood. They say they were never informed by Lawrence or by Nextel that the tower was coming.

Because of this, and because some fear the tower will affect their property values and health,

some residents want the courts to remove the tower.

Patricia Scarborough, of Shepley Street, said that since Nextel built the tower, it has sold it as part of a \$260 million deal. She said the company is negotiating to put more antennas on the tower.

"For as bad as it looks now, it's going to look three times as bad," she said.

"The whole basis for this (fight) is Nextel clearly broke the law," said Scarborough. "We're just really looking for Nextel to take the tower down and for those antennas to be placed appropriately."

Scarborough told selectmen she understood a vote to approve the money would not mean the town would pick up the tab of the residents' court battles.

"We are still carrying the burden of this financially, emotionally, in every way," said Scarborough. "What we are trying to get, is just the support of (Andover)."

Asked what the \$40,000 would pay for, Stapczynski answered "Really very little at this point."

"It's for the board to use judgment as we proceed along," said Selectmen Brian Major. "If there are different briefs that we must put together to increase the interests of the town, (this will pay for it)."



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ARRESTS

Thursday, April 29 - At 2:19 p.m., Peter C. Comeau, 34, of 5 Sotorious Court, Haverhill, was arrested on Chestnut Street and charged on several warrants for motor vehicle violations.

Friday, April 30 - At 3:11 a.m., Richard D. Bracato, 44, of 7 Grandview Road, Pelham, N.H., was arrested on Penni Lane after one caller reported a vehicle racing up and down the street and another caller reported an accident. Bracato was charged with a second offense of driving under the influence of alcohol.

At 9:38 a.m., Pamela J. Case, 28, of 120 Broadway, Haverhill, was arrested on North Main Street and charged with attaching plates to a vehicle and driving an uninsured vehicle with a revoked license.

At 1:27 p.m., Deborah Couture, 39, of 19 Pleasant St., North Andover, was arrested on North Main Street and charged on a warrant for larceny over \$250.

At 1:42 p.m., James A. Cates, 43, P.O. Box 3773, Peabody, was arrested on Jenkins Road, and charged with driving an uninsured vehicle with a suspended license and revoked plates.

At 2:39 p.m., a motorist reported seeing two teenagers in St. Augustine's Cemetery with a female who kept running into the woods, and appeared to be vomiting. Shortly thereafter, police arrested Rebecca M. Robertson, 17, of 25 Enmore St., Andover, and a 16-year-old Andover male, and charged them with possession of a Class D substance.

Saturday, May 1 - At 1:11 p.m., Carl G. Grenier, 27, of 45 Washington St., Methuen, was arrested on Interstate 93 North, and charged with being a fugitive from justice.

At 2:19 p.m., Mark C. Duggan, 33, of 240 Beacon St., Lowell, was arrested on Old River Road and charged with a subsequent offense of driving with a suspended license and on eight warrants, including several for larceny.

Sunday, May 2 - At 4:29 a.m., Michael D. Roch, 19, of 138 Setian Lane, West Warwick, R.I., was arrested by Merrimack College police, brought to the Andover station and charged with interfering with a firefighter.

At 4:04 p.m., Dale J. Baril, 20, of 653 Haverhill St., Lawrence, was arrested on River Road and charged with a second offense of driving with a suspended license, and for driving with defective equipment.

Monday, May 3 - At 8:11 a.m., Edwin Melendez, 31, of 17 Alder St., Lawrence, was arrested on Union Street and charged on traffic warrants.

At 3:32 p.m., a 25-year-old Lynnfield man was taken into protective custody on South Main Street after a cab driver reported an intoxicated person would not get out of his cab.

Tuesday, May 4 - At 2:21 a.m., Christopher Foden, 32, of 22 Brechin Terrace, Andover, was arrested on Lowell Street and charged on a warrant for failure to pay fines.

At 11:36 a.m., Stacey A. Barnes, 39, of 122 Oakland Ave., Methuen, was arrested at the station and charged on a warrant for larceny for concealing rented property.

At 11:56 a.m., a 15-year-old Lawrence male was arrested at the Greater Lawrence Technical School and charged with illegal possession of a Class D substance.

INCIDENTS

Wednesday, April 28 - At 8:11 a.m., a Wild Rose Drive caller reported she thought a coyote was under her porch eating another animal. An officer reported a coyote was asleep under her porch.

At 4:10 p.m., an Andover woman reported her son was in the house and removing things without permission.

At 9:18 p.m., a domestic situation in a driveway was reported between two sisters.

Thursday, April 29 - At 9:59 p.m., an officer was to file on a restraining order violation from the previous day.

At 2:18 p.m., an Andover High employee requested to speak to an officer regarding someone who may have marijuana.

Friday, April 30 - At 7:24 a.m., an officer assisted the fire department with an unfounded bomb scare at the Greater Lawrence Technical School.

At 5:55 p.m., an Andover woman reported that her intoxicated husband was threatening to kill her. She came to the station to seek an emergency restraining order.

At 7:26 p.m., after an interrupted 911 call where someone was saying her 8-year-old was out of control, an officer requested an ambulance and an Andover mother and her 8-year-old son were taken to Lawrence General.

At 7:49 p.m., a 17-year-old male called requesting police regarding a dispute with his father.

At 8:55 p.m., three females came into the station to report that one of them had been assaulted by a male in front of her Railroad Street workplace earlier in the day. The person was seeking a restraining order.

Sunday, May 2 - At 9:44 a.m., a domestic situation was reported by someone who said he received a call about it. An officer reported a verbal argument.

Trooper collides with colleague

An undercover state police officer in the Lawrence gang unit collided with a fellow trooper's parked car on Interstate 495 Tuesday night in Andover, causing the cruiser to strike both the trooper and a suspect he was questioning outside the vehicle.

Both the injured trooper, Sergeant Donald Kennefick, and suspect Maurizio Aceta, of Medford, were treated at Lawrence General Hospital and released, said state police spokesman Lt. Paul Maloney.

"The trooper (Kennefick) had stopped a car subsequent to a (drug) investigation that was ongoing," says Maloney. Kennefick was talking to Aceta, the driver, outside of his car, between a cruiser and Aceta's vehicle.

The trooper in the Lawrence gang unit arrived at the scene, but his car slid on the wet pavement Tuesday night and struck the cruiser.

"That caused it to lurch forward and hit the trooper and the suspect he was speaking with," says Maloney, who did not identify the undercover officer.

Maloney says that both Aceta, 24, of Medford, and passenger Donald C. Quinn, 21, of Arlington, were arrested and charged with possessing heroin and conspiracy to possess heroin.

— Neil Fater

employee reported that a customer had left a bomb threat on his voice mail.

At 12:50 p.m., a woman with her children came into the station to report her husband had violated a restraining order by coming to her home while she was not there the previous day.

At 1:24 p.m., a sergeant injured his hand while making a forced entry to respond to a 911 call.

Tuesday, May 4 - At 2:23 p.m., a restraining order was served to an Andover man.

THEFTS

Wednesday, April 28 - At 12:41 p.m., a caller who refused to give her name claimed \$120 was stolen from her at Andover High School.

Thursday, April 29 - At 10:46 a.m., a Sagamore Drive resident reported someone had stolen a bike from his garage the previous day.

Friday, April 30 - At 1:56 p.m., a Heritage Lane resident reported someone had stolen a bike from her driveway that had just been bought the previous day. The bike was a green touring bike valued at \$700.

Monday, May 3 - At 11:09 a.m., a man reported his wallet had been stolen from a locker at the Marriott the previous day, and someone had used his credit cards.

Tuesday, May 4 - At 1:08 a.m., a Radcliff Drive man reported three people had just taken his basketball backboard and net. They had left in a red station wagon.

ACCIDENTS

Wednesday, April 28 - At 10:44 a.m., a sergeant assisted Andover firefighters and the state police with a tractor-trailer truck on Interstate 495 North. The truck was carrying industrial-sized batteries weighing more than 2,000 pounds. One had tipped over and was leaking acid.

At 4:55 p.m., an ambulance was sent to a rollover accident with personal injury on Osgood Street.

At 6:34 p.m., an accident with injury was reported on River Road. One person was to be summonsed for driving an unregistered and uninsured vehicle.

Friday, April 30 - At 6:29 p.m., a River Road resident reported a vehicle had just struck a telephone pole there and that someone was injured and on the ground. Two ambulances were sent and two cars were towed.

Sunday, May 2 - At 5:12 p.m., several callers reported an accident on Route 28 northbound near Interstate 495. A sergeant requested two tow trucks, including a flatbed truck, and an ambulance, which transported patients to Lawrence General Hospital.

Monday, May 3 - At 9:03 a.m., a hit and run accident was reported on Lowell Street.

At 10:28 a.m., there was an accident with personal injury reported on Bailey Road. Two vehicles were towed.

At 1:18 p.m., a hit-and-run accident was reported on Central Street by one of the people involved in the accident. She said the other driver refused to exchange information.

VANDALISM

There were three cases of vandalism this week including one where the High School principal wanted pictures taken of words that had been spray painted at the school.

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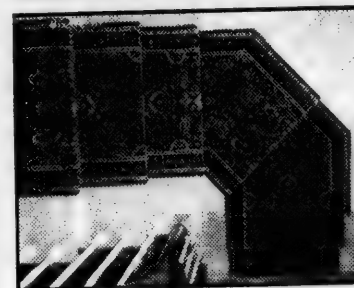
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Arts & Entertainment

Short cuts

Neil Fater



10 years down the 'roads

A decade ago this week, folk singer and songwriter Fred Small performed at a makeshift club, set in a North Andover church basement. The fledgling club called itself the Crossroads Coffeehouse.

Ten years and about 9,000 cups of coffee later, the popular coffeehouse has not yet reached a crossroads. It's stuck to its original vision and is still providing small — and Small — performances.



Looking back — 10-year reunion no Small potatoes

To help celebrate the Crossroads' 10th year, Fred Small will play the Crossroads Saturday, May 8, with sign language artist Barry Nickelsberg, and opening act Pat Scanlon, of Washington Avenue. Doors open at 7:15 p.m., for an 8 p.m., \$10 performance.

Musicians such as Small often have said that the reason they enjoy the coffeehouse is because of its intimate feel. Performances typically draw about 125 people.

Scanlon, who says he's "relearning the banjo," was there for Small's first cup of Crossroads Coffeehouse. When he opens for Small Saturday, it will be the first time Scanlon's performed in 15 years.

Ten years ago, Scanlon was one of the original people who banded together to create the Crossroads, he says.

"I knew the performers and what they needed. There was another woman who was in theater and she knew what we needed for a stage area," he says. "Everyone has a little bit different perspective, because we came at it from different angles. I was a fledgling banjo player and was interested in folk music."

He says the flavor of the Crossroads hasn't changed much over the years, although the music variety has grown.

In exchange for free admission, some people still bake cakes that can be sold during the performances. And there are always different coffees available.

"Basically it is the same. Some of the people have changed who are running it, but you can't say enough about the people," he says.

"But we've done a lot of things in terms of the different types of music we've brought in.

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'Guys' stands to rock Collins Center boat

By Neil Fater

Andover High School music and drama director Robert Lague has pulled together nearly 30 productions over the years, but he rarely chooses to do the same show twice.

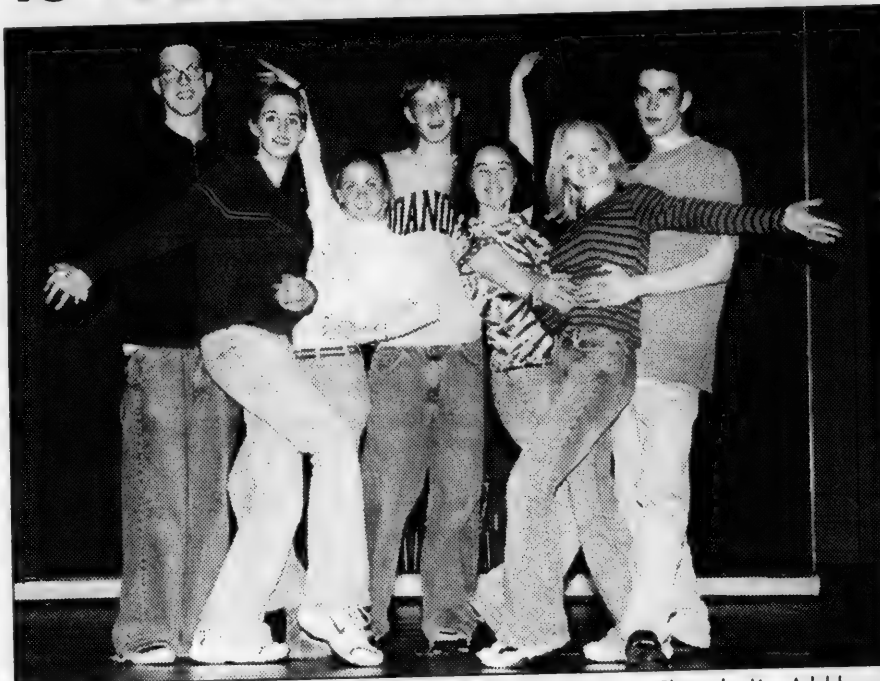
So you know that if he's producing the musical *Guys and Dolls* for the second time this decade, he believes he has something truly worth seeing.

"It's been one of the more popular plays over the years. Every school has done it," says Lague. "It's a real combination of comedy and love story, with a lot of fun going on in between."

Guys and Dolls will be on the Collins Center stage Friday, May 7, and Saturday, May 8, at 8 p.m.

Doors open at 7:15 p.m., and \$10 tickets are available at The Strawberry Tree on Main Street, at the door, or from a cast member.

Big musical numbers include *Sit Down You're Rocking the Boat*, sung by Joe Deering as Nicely-Nicely Johnson, with the entire cast; and *Luck Be a*



Photos by Lisa Adelsberger

They'll roll the dice — Leading men and women Jesse Gallagher, Christina Ghiloni, Charlotte Chanler, Chris Lier, Zoe Vasconcellos-Hastings, Julie Hayner and Adam Stone.

Lady by Jesse Gallagher or Adam Stone, who will play Sky Masterson on opposite nights. *I've Never Been in Love Before* will be performed by one of the Skys and either Christina Ghiloni or Julie Hayner, who will play Sarah Brown on opposite nights.

Typically, what really makes the musicals hop at AHS are the impressive young actors and singers. This year will be no exception, according to Lague.

"I'm hoping people will come to see the show based on our reputation," he says. "This year, it's a very experienced group of kids. About 50 percent of them came through the Merrimack Junior Theater."

Many of them were also in the fall drama *The Miracle Worker*. Lague was so proud of the students' work in that production that he submitted *The Miracle Worker* to receive a Moss Hart Award for best high school theater production in New England.

The AHS production of *Guys and Dolls* features Christina Ghiloni and Julie Hayner playing Sarah Brown; Charlotte Chanler and Zoe Hastings playing Miss Adelaide on opposite nights; Jesse Gallagher and Adam Stone as Sky Masterson; and Sean Aylward and Chris Lier playing Nathan Detroit. The cast also includes students Hiro Toyoda, Greg Brennan, Tom Bolster, Desiree Croteau, Jenny Detterman, Amy Pineault, Eric Giordano, Brett Weiner and Stephen Fontanella, among many others.

Douglas Halsted is the assistant director/producer of the Andover High production and choreography is by Cindi Morgan. The singers and dancers will be accompanied by a live pit orchestra.

Guys and Dolls is based on the Damon Runyon story of the same name, with music and lyrics by Frank Loesser. The music includes such well known tunes as *A Bushel and a Peck*.



High society — Dressed for the parts are Lisa Chang as Mimi and David Krasik as Society Max.

Coming: Spring exhibits open at Addison

Spring is in the air, and new art will soon be on the walls of the Addison Gallery of American Art at Phillips Academy.

A free opening reception for the Addison's spring exhibitions will be held Friday, May 7, from 5-8 p.m.

Peter Sekaer: *American Pictures* will run May 8 through July 31. This showing is the first American museum exhibition of Sekaer, a social documentary photographer of the 1930s and 1940s, says B.J. Larson, Addison director of museum resources.

Another exhibit will be *Sculpture in Context*, also running through July 31.

It includes American sculpture from the Addison's permanent collection.

Writers of the town, unite

Barbara Beckwith, networking coordinator for National Writer Union — Boston Local, will hold a networking for writers Wednesday, May 12, at 7:30 p.m. in the activity room at Memorial Hall Library on Elm Square. This is an opportunity for writers to get to know each other and share resources in dealing with the publishing industry. For more information, contact Barbara Beckwith at (617) 868-3143, or beckwith@aol.com.

Out of town:

The New England Classical Singers, with director David Tierney and guest organist Susan Armstrong-Ouellette, will present a spring concert Saturday, May 8, at 8 p.m. at Methuen Memorial Music Hall, 192 Broadway (Route 28), Methuen.

The program will feature the *Messe Solennelle* by Louis Vierne, *Weltliche A Cappella Gesänge* by Johannes Brahms and *Motets* by Anton Bruckner. Tickets, at \$10, \$8 for seniors and students, are available at Andover Book Store, 89R Main St., or at the

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Coming up

(BIG TOP, FUNNY HAT, continued from page 24)
door. For more information, call 688-2816.

A circus language of their own

Anyone can tell you that Bostonians have a language all their own. The circus also has a language all its own. Organizers encourage you to see for yourself at the Shriners Auditorium in Wilmington, when the annual Aleppo Shrine Circus presents the Royal Hanneford Circus May 10 through 16.

When you arrive you'll see the "Banner Trucks" or trucks illustrating the attractions inside. You'll hear the "calliope," pronounced "cally-ope," to rhyme with antelope, by circus folks. The "towners," or local folks, pronounce it "cal-eye-o-pee," a definite sign of a layman. Make sure to pronounce it right or you'll look like a "first-of-May," a first-season circus

employee or rookie.

Royal Hanneford Circus is what's known as a "mud show," or a circus that travels overland by motor truck, not by railroad. The show will be inside the newly renovated Shriners Auditorium with its new "Bible backs" or extra wide circus seat planks, on which the brand new seating is placed.

The "bulls" or elephants, regardless of sex, are favorites with the audience and the "spec" or circus parade around the arena floor is always a hit, says a release.

You may see circus fans "cutting up Jackpots," or reminiscing. If you are hungry, see the "butcher," concessionaires that sell popcorn, soda, etc.

The Aleppo Shrine circus is expecting "straw houses," overflow crowds with standing room only, to cover their "nut" (expenses). Get your tickets early or you'll wind up sitting by the "Donnikers" or circus toilets.

Tickets are available at the Shriners Auditorium box office or by calling 1-800-700-0013.

It's the Gospel(fest) Truth

The Phillips Academy music department will once again offer the town a weekend full of music programs.

On Saturday, May 8 at 7:30 p.m. there will be "Gospelfest," a concert featuring the Phillips Academy Gospel Choir and other gospel choirs from all around New England. This event is a benefit for the Phillips Academy Sojourner Truth Scholarship Fund and will take place in Cochran Chapel on the Phillips Academy campus, 180 Main St.

There is a suggested donation of \$5.

Established in 1994 by the Phillips Academy faculty of color, the Sojourner Truth Scholarship Fund supports one of the academy's essential purposes: to open doors for talented "youth from every quarter."

The program will include performances by The New England Gospel Ensemble of Boston, James Early, director; Praise, of

Boston, Renese King, director; the Re-Union Choir from the Union United Methodist Church in Boston; the Boston Community Choir, Dennis Slaughter, director; and the St. Paul's Gospel Choir from St. Paul's School in Concord, N.H., Yolanda Spearman, director.

Hosting this concert is the Phillips Academy Gospel Choir, Hobert Yates, music director, Rebecca Sykes, faculty coordinator.

Any inquiries regarding this performance may be directed to the PA music department, (978)749-4263; the community and multicultural affairs office, (978)749-4250; or music@andover.edu.

Senior recitals

On Friday, May 7 at 7 p.m., Phillips presents a senior recital featuring baritone Nicholas Smith, accompanied by pianist Carolyn Skelton.

The free concert will take place in Graves Hall on the PA campus at the corner of School and Main streets.

Any inquiries regarding this or another performance may be made by calling the Phillips (SENIOR MOMENTS, page 26)

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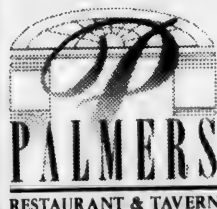
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(SENIOR MOMENTS, from page 25)

Academy music department, (978)749-4263 or e-mail: music@andover.edu.

On Sunday, May 9 at 7 p.m., the Phillips Academy music department will present a senior recital featuring oboist Ariel Lambe and

soprano Sarah Moulton accompanied by pianists Peter Warsaw and Christopher Walter.

This free concert will also take place in Graves Hall.

It will feature the music of Vaughan Williams, Haydn, Mozart, Kluckart and Bach.



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The choirs will be accompanied by a full orchestra with Eunice Kim, director of music at West Parish, playing the organ, and Tamara Rozek, director of music at South, conducting. Works to be per-



New direction - West Parish Choir members will try singing down South.

formed are Mozart's *Coronation Mass* in C.K. 137 for soloists and choir, and Mozart's *Alleluia* from *Exsultate Jubilate*, K. 165 for soprano solo. Organizers say people should arrive 15 minutes before the service starts to hear the prelude, which will be movements from Handel's *Water Music* suite in D.

A free-will offering will be collected. All are invited to attend one or both services. For more information, call South Church at 475-0321, or West Parish at 475-3528.

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(BE CROSS WITH THEM, continued from page 24)

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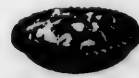
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EVENTS CALENDAR

THURSDAY, May 6

Architectural talk and reception, sponsored by Andover Historical Society, architect Jane Griswold discusses "What Jane does when fixing your house," 7 p.m., \$4, \$2 members, 97 Main St.; 475-2236.

Best of Boston Comedy, featuring Larry Miles, 8 p.m., Grill 93, River Road; 1-888-TO-LAUGH.

Open house, sponsored by Cape Ann Waldorf School, 8:45-10:30 a.m., 668 Hale St., Beverly Farms; RSVP (978) 922-1936.

FRIDAY, May 7

International film festival, featuring *Burnt by the Sun*, a Russian film about a day in an aging war hero whose loyalty to the communist party is tempered by human decency and common sense, 7 p.m., Room E203, Lynn Campus; Prof. Philip Sbaratta (781) 477-2166.

Senior recital, sponsored by Phillips Academy music department, featuring baritone Nicholas Smith accompanied by pianist Carolyn Skelton, 7 p.m., Graves Hall, Phillips Academy campus, Main Street; 749-4263.

Antique show preview party, sponsored by Wenham Museum, 6:30-9, Pingree School, Highland Street, South Hamilton; Ellen Katona, Bob Lutz (207) 338-1444.

A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum, performed by North Shore Players, featuring Frank Kaplan of Andover, 8 p.m., \$12.50 in advance, \$15 at door, handicap accessible, Charles V. Hogan Auditorium, Route 62, Danvers; (978) 774-5697.

Passion & Power, actress Leslie Harrell Dillen performs a one-woman show adapted from the works of Mabel Dodge Luhan, 7:30 p.m., \$12, \$10 in advance, St. John's Church, 48 Middle St., Gloucester; (978) 283-1825.

Concert, sponsored by Songstreet and Planetary Groove, featuring Ellis Paul and Vance Gilbert, 8 p.m., \$17.50, \$16.50, add \$1.50 day of show, Somerville Theater, 55 Davis Square, Somerville; (617) 628-3390.



Planetary alliance - Vance Gilbert and Ellis Paul step out together

Potluck supper, sponsored by Merrimack Valley People for Peace, bring main dish or salad, 6:30 p.m., North Parish Church Hall, 190 Academy Road.

Comedy Palace at Grill 93, featuring Freddie Stone, Ace Aceto, David Russo, 9 p.m., River Road; 1-888-TO-LAUGH.

SATURDAY, May 8

Kids' Night Out, sponsored by the Lady River Hawks, boys and girls ages 4-12, basketball, floor hockey, volleyball, swimming, kick and dodge ball, relays, obstacle course, videos, music, 6-10 p.m., \$8 first child, \$5 each brother/sister, Costello Gym, UMass Lowell, Lowell; Kathy Kelly (978) 934-2326.

Concert, sponsored by Crossroads Coffeehouse, featuring singer Fred Small, 8 p.m., \$10, North Parish Church, Academy Road, North Andover; 749-7025.

Gospelfest concert, sponsored by Phillips Academy music department, featuring Phillips Academy Gospel Choir and other New England gospel choirs, to benefit the Phillips Academy Sojourner Truth Scholarship Fund, 7:30 p.m., \$5, Cochran Chapel, Chapel Avenue, Phillips Academy campus; 749-4263 or 749-4250.

Children's concert, sponsored by North Reading Parks and Recreation Department and Martins Pond Association, featuring the shenanigans of Kevin Devine and juggling of Slick the Clown, 10 a.m., \$4 in advance, \$5 at door, North Reading High School Park Street (Route 62), North Reading; (978) 664-1776 or Kevin Devine 1-877-ALL-SONG.

Antique show, sponsored by Wenham Museum, 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Pingree School, Highland Street, South Hamilton; Ellen Katona, Bob Lutz (207) 338-1444.

May breakfast, sponsored by First Baptist Church, to benefit camp and conference fund, 7-10 a.m., \$3.50 adults, \$2.50 children 12 and under, 1500 Andover St.

(Route 133), Tewksbury; (978) 851-6575 or (978) 640-0774.

A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum, see entry under

Friday, May 7.

Memorial service, sponsored by Civil War Roundtable of the Merrimack, (CALENDAR continued on page 28)

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honoring the patriotism of the Rowley soldiers who served to preserve the Union, 1 p.m., Civil War encampment, 10 a.m.-4 p.m., Rowley Green; Thomas E. DiGiuseppe (978) 462-8518.

Passion & Power (actress pictured at right), see entry under Friday, May 7.

Rites of Spring, sponsored by Theater in the Open, giant puppet show, 2 p.m., \$3, Maudslay State Park, Curzon Mill Road, Newburyport; (978) 465-2572.

Concert, sponsored by St. John's Preparatory School fine arts department, classical guitarist Carlton Kish



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Crafts in the Park, sponsored by Andover Chapter of American Field Service, more than 100 craftspeople, 10 a.m.-4 p.m., the Park, corner of Chestnut and Bartlet streets; 475-7210 or (978) 458-0175.

Comedy Palace at Grill 93, 8 and 10:30 p.m., see entry under Friday, May 7.

Concert, sponsored by New England Classical Singers, guest organist, 8 p.m., \$10, \$8 seniors, Methuen Memorial Music Hall, 192 Broadway (Route 28), Methuen; 688-2816.

SUNDAY, May 9

Senior recital, sponsored by Phillips music department, featuring oboist Ariel Lambe and soprano Sarah Moulton accompanied by pianists Peter Warsaw and Christopher Walter, 7 p.m., Graves Hall, Phillips Academy campus, Main Street; 749-4263.

Concert, sponsored by Trinity Episcopal Church, featuring Longy School of Music Early Music Department performing music from Renaissance & Baroque Spain, child care available, 7 p.m., freewill offering, 124 River Road, Topsfield; (978) 887-5570.

Jazz, featuring Ray Santisi Sextet, 7:30-10:30 p.m., \$5 cover charge, wheelchair accessible, Casa Vecchia, Route 97, Salem, N.H.

Croquet competition, sponsored by the Trustees of Reservations, noon-4 p.m., \$3, members, \$5 non-members, mothers free, Grand Allee, Castle Hill, 290 Argilla Road, Ipswich; (978) 356-4351.

Circle dancing, Unitarian Congregation in Andover, 7-9:30 p.m., 6 Locke St.; Susan Foster 470-1134.

Hike, by Andover Committee of Appalachian Mountain Club, two-hour walk through Indian Ridge Reservation; meet 1:30 p.m. at Andover High School Auditorium entrance; Nancy Pearl (978) 521-9346.

A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum, 2 p.m., see entry under Friday, May 7.

Concert, sponsored by South and West Parish churches, featuring the combined choirs of both churches, including South Church's Tamara Rozek (at right), 10:30 a.m. service, South Church, 41 Central St.; 475-0321 or 475-3528.



Combining forces - Tamara Rozek.

MONDAY, May 10

Circus, sponsored by Alepo Shrine, featuring the Royal Hanneford Circus, 10 a.m. and 7 p.m., \$10, \$5 children 12 and under, Shriner's Auditorium, 99 Fordham Road, Wilming- ton; 1-800-700-0013.

TUESDAY, May 11

Marketing mixer, sponsored by Merrimack Valley Chamber of Commerce and First Essex, 5-7 p.m., First Essex Bank, 750 Main St., Haverhill; 686-0900.

Loretta LaRoche, sponsored by Northern Essex Community College, 7:30 p.m., \$20, \$25 reserved seating, \$50 premium seating, reserved parking and a reception, Sports & Fitness Center, Haverhill campus, Eliot Way; Marion Bojas (978) 556-3857.

Circus, see entry under Monday, May 10.

Slide lecture, sponsored by American Textile History Museum, "Fancy Woven Coverlets," 7 p.m., 491 Dutton St., Lowell; (978) 441-0400, Ext. 245.

WEDNESDAY, May 12

Circus, see entry under Monday, May 10.

Network for writers, sponsored by Memorial Hall Library, an opportunity for writers to get to know each other and share resources in dealing with the publishing industry, 7:30 p.m., Activity Room, Elm Square; Barbara Beckwith (617) 868-3143.

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CALENDAR

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THURSDAY, May 13

Best of Boston Comedy, featuring Joey Diaz, see entry under Thursday, May 6.

Circus, see entry under Monday, May 10.

Business meeting, sponsored by Homebased Businesswomen's Network, 8:30 a.m., \$10, Village Green Restaurant, Newbury Street, Route 1-North, Danvers; Mabel (978) 750-1888.

Breakfast circle, sponsored by Sutton Hill Center, speaker Sue Luby, founder of Body Sense Yoga and Fitness Center, 9-10:30 a.m., \$1, donated to area Council on Aging, 1801 Turnpike St., North Andover; RSVP 688-1212.

Cocktail chat, sponsored by Otto Peter Erber, curator of the "An Acquired Taste: Collectors & Collecting, In, Around & About Lowell" Whistler House Museum of Art exhibit, 5:30 p.m., 243 Worthen St., Lowell; (978) 452-7641.

Diversity training workshop, sponsored by Voluntary Action Center of the United Way of Merrimack Valley, 8:30-10:30 a.m., \$15, 430 North Canal St., Lawrence; RSVP (978) 682-5296, Ext. 125.

Art in Bloom, sponsored by Spade and Trowel Garden Club and Village Garden Club, floral designs interpreting selected works of art and nature photography, 9 a.m.-9 p.m., Memorial Hall Library, Elm Square.

FRIDAY, May 14

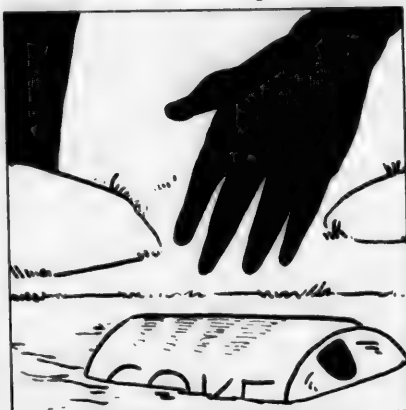
Comedy Palace at Grill 93, featuring Richard Lewis, Joey Diaz, Harry Corcell, 9 p.m., see entry under Friday, May 7.

State representatives breakfast, sponsored by Government Affairs Committee of Merrimack Valley Chamber of Commerce, 7:30-9:15

a.m., \$15, Indian Ridge Country Club, Lovejoy Road; 686-0900.

Singles dance, sponsored by Lexington Chapter of TSL (The Single Life), 8 p.m.-12:30 p.m., \$7, Knights of Columbus, 2068 Main St., Tewksbury; (781) 891-3750.

TOWNSMAN TEASER SOLUTION to last week's puzzle



Q: When it comes to outdoor spring cleaning, they try harder.

A: A.V.I.S. folks.

About the teaser: All teasers are Andover-related and contain a pun. New teaser next week.

Circus, 10 a.m. and 7:30 p.m., see entry under Monday, May 10.

Evening of Arts and Hearts, sponsored by Greater Boston PFLAG (Parents, Families and Friends of Lesbians and Gays), panel discussion, wheelchair accessible, 7-9 p.m., Northshore Unitarian Universalist Church,

323 Locust St., Danvers; (781) 933-6169.

International film festival, featuring *Europa, Europa*, the real-life story of Solomon Perel who survived the Holocaust by posing as an Aryan, see Friday, May 7 entry.

Art in Bloom, see Thursday, May 13 entry.

Tot shabbat, sponsored by Temple Emanuel of Andover, for toddlers, preschool and school-aged children, 7 p.m., 7 Haggetts Pond Road; 470-1563.

Clown Town, carnival rides, 6-10 p.m., the Park, Bartlet and Chestnut streets; 470-0461 or 474-4232.

SATURDAY, May 15

Apple Country craft fair, sponsored by St. Peter's Episcopal Church, more than 50 crafters, refreshments, children's activities, 9:30 a.m.-4 p.m., 3 Peabody Row (corner of Mammoth Road and Peabody Row, Londonderry, N.H.); (603) 437-8333.

Comedy Palace at Grill 93, featuring Richard Lewis, 8 and 10:30 p.m., \$20 or \$25, see entry under Friday, May 7.

Herb festival, sponsored by Herb Society of Andover, featuring herb plants, perennials, baked goods, craftspeople, a medicinal plant walk and demonstrations of aromatherapy, wheat-weaving, beekeeping and composting, 9 a.m.-3 p.m., Rea Farm, Rea Street, North Andover; 689-2914.

Concert, by Newburyport Choral Society, performing Johann Sebastian Bach's *Mass in B Minor*, 8 p.m., \$15, \$12 students, senior citizens, Belleville Congregational Church, High Street, Newburyport; (978) 462-0650.

May fair, by Cape Ann Waldorf School, face painting, craft demonstrations, games and activities, 10 a.m.-1 p.m., Patton Park, Hamilton; Christine Ozahowski (978) 927-1936.

Concert, sponsored by Folk Song Society of

Greater Boston, featuring the Short Sisters, wheelchair access, 8 p.m., \$9, \$7.50 members, First Parish Church, 35 Church St., Watertown. **Circus**, 1:30 and 7:30 p.m., see Monday, May 10 entry.

Quilt show, sponsored by Merrimack Valley Quilters, 9 a.m.-4 p.m., \$4, Holy Angels Church Hall, 8 Atkinson Rd., Plaistow, N.H.; 688-1258.

Art in Bloom, 9 a.m.-4 p.m., see entry under Thursday, May 13.

Concert, sponsored by New Moon Coffeehouse, featuring Cliff Eberhardt, 8 p.m., \$12, Universalist Unitarian Church, junction of Routes 110 and 125, Haverhill; (978) 373-9259.

Basketball clinic, sponsored by state Department of Public Health Osteoporosis Awareness Program, Public Health Commissioner Howard Koh of Andover will kick off festivities, 10 a.m.-1 p.m., HealthPoint, Waltham; 1-800-874-5977, Ext. 519.

Challenge IV Tae Kwon Do championships, sponsored by Y.K. Kim's USA Tae Kwon Do/Tae-Robics, opening ceremonies 9:30 a.m., Taw Kwon Do demonstrations and activities throughout day, Olympic sparring grand championships after noon-time, \$5 in advance, \$7 at door, Greater Lawrence Vocational Technical High School, 57 River Road; 688-1037.

Clown Town, carnival rides, games, pony rides, face painting, food, raffles, special demonstrations for kids, 9:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m., see entry under Friday, May 14.



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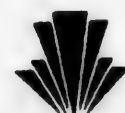
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Jane Griswold featured at Historical Society

The Andover Historical Society will present a talk by architect Jane Griswold tonight, Thursday, May 6, at 7. Griswold follows a preservationist agenda when planning renovations for historical homes and buildings. She is well known for her Sunday Drive column in *The Eagle-Tribune*, where she talks about interesting homes in the Merrimack Valley. She discusses when the houses were made, why they reflect the period in which they were made, who lived in them, and any stories relating to its history. An exhibit of her plans and photographs of renovated homes will be on view at the society through June. A reception for the architect will follow the talk.



Jane Griswold

The Contemporary Artist Series is a program that features creative talents who live in Andover including writers, ceramists, poets, architects, etc. The Andover Historical Society is located at 97 Main St. Call 475-2236; or e-mail: andhists@ma.ultranet.com for more information.

Open house is a chance to view the recently restored West Parish Chapel

The West Parish Garden Cemetery will have an open house on Sunday, May 16, and Saturday, May 22, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. to view the recently restored West Parish Chapel. The stone chapel, built in the style of a Scottish "kirk" or sister chapel, mimics the exterior of West Parish Church. The chapel was built in 1909 and donated to the circa 1690 cemetery by industrialist William Wood. The Tiffany Co. was commissioned to create its 21 stained glass windows. The project cost in excess of \$500,000. Funds were used from foundations, private donations and the Massachusetts Historical Commission grant of \$90,000. There is still a deficit of \$100,000. The chapel now has handicapped access, a new bathroom, new heating system and inside insulation. Repointing of entire outside has been completed as well as painting and

landscaping. This will allow the chapel to be open for weddings, concerts, and funerals year round. George Nammour of McLaren Associates of Andover was the architect and New England Builders of Methuen completed the project.

Crafts in the Park is set for Saturday

Andover Crafts in the Park, which will take place Saturday, May 8, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., in the Park at Bartlet and Chestnut streets, will have a more international flair this year. In addition to being sponsored by Andover AFS, a foreign exchange program for high school students, as it has since 1976, this year's fair will feature international food provided by local Greek and Armenian organizations as well as the traditional American doughnuts, hot dogs and hamburgers.



AFS volunteers Bob Givens and Marsha Johnson look at the Crafts in the Park exhibition program.

Food chair Cheri Apelian of Andover says she plans to expand this aspect of the fair in future years to involve other international community groups.

Crafts in the Park will feature more than 100 potters, knitters, weavers, floral designers, woodworkers, jewelers and other creative artisans. According to organizers, it is the perfect place to shop for Mother's Day gifts. The rain date is Sunday, May 9. For more information, call 475-7210.

Andover Tennis Club open to new members

The Andover Tennis Club, for men, women and youth, offers outdoor recreational tennis for singles, doubles and mixed doubles at the intermediate and

advanced levels. The club plays at Phillips Academy during the summer months and indoors at the Wil-lows Racquet Club during the winter season. New family (\$60 per year) and individual (\$40) memberships are being accepted through the end of May. For more information, call 682-2291 or 474-0953. Membership dues and information should be mailed to Andover Tennis Club, P.O. Box 404, Andover 01810.

Art in Bloom at Memorial Hall Library

The Spade and Trowel Garden Club and Village Garden Club of Andover will present Art in Bloom at Memorial Hall Library next week, May 13, 14 and 15.



Club members selected works of art to interpret with floral designs, which will be on display throughout the library.

The nature photography of Kevin Talbot, a trail master for Shawsheen river Watershed Council, will be a special feature. The avid amateur photographer will exhibit photographs of the plant and animal life along the Shawsheen River.

The show is open Thursday, May 13, from 9 a.m. to

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ALL THOSE YEARS AGO

100 Years Ago

Town pay-day is on Monday.

Early risers noticed the heavy frost of Thursday morning.

Michellini is showing his patriotism by three lanterns suspended over his doorway, one red, one white, and one blue.

A horse belonging to Hamel of Lawrence had an attack of colic in the square Wednesday evening.

A load of hay belonging to John E. Hutchinson was overturned at the corner of May and Morton streets on Tuesday afternoon. The hay rack appeared to be broken.

The Colombian orchestra played at a private dancing party given at the November Club house, Tuesday evening.

A meeting of the board of public works was held in their rooms Wednesday afternoon but no important action was taken.

Joe Warren, an Andover boy, has returned home after some time spent in the Navy. He served through the late war.

Milo H. Gould took John May's place on the milk wagon while the latter was recuperating from the injuries received from the assault upon him Saturday evening.

May resumed work Tuesday morning.

Jack and Bill, the faithful old horses which have served the town in the fire department for so many years, have been removed to the town farm where they will end their days under the kind oversight of Superintendent Barnham.

50 Years Ago

Complaints that youths in an automobile have been riding through certain parts of West Andover and shooting at mailboxes are being investigated. The youths have been observed at various times shooting a rifle from the moving car particularly at mailboxes that line the roadways in that area.

Hours of the employees of Spring Grove cemetery have been reduced from 44 to 40 a week by a vote of the trustees but no money increase is involved by this action.

Three speeders picked up by police last week on different parts of Main Street were arraigned in district court in Lawrence and fined \$10 each.

Youngsters riding bicycles on sidewalks are the cause of several complaints that have reached the police station recently from pedestrians who have narrowly escaped acci-

dents. Police Chief George A. Dane is going to contact all schools in town to seek the cooperation of teachers in bringing this violation to the attention of all school children.

The Cornell scholarship at Phillips Academy awarded annually to a Punchard High School student was divided between two boys by a vote of the school committee Wednesday night. The warrant of bills and accounts for \$3,574.89 was read and approved.

The board of selectmen voted unanimously not to grant Tree Warden Richard G. Warden's request for a pay raise to \$70 per week from \$50.

25 Years Ago

AIRS, the Andover Individualized Reading System, is getting a thorough going-over this week, in preparation for its being used as a model for other towns across the country. Andover's program is one of the nine "exemplary programs" chosen so far, out of a possible total of 25 nationwide. It is the only one in New England.

School Committeeman George Olesen, who two weeks ago moved to change the meetings back to Tuesday nights because he had been able to adjust his business schedule

accordingly, this week moved to change the meetings back to the second floor of the old Stowe School. Despite hooting from a crowd of more than 300 in the West Junior High School auditorium, the committee voted 3-2 to move back to the Stowe room that seats 40-50.

John Cronin of Andover has announced his candidacy for State Representative in the 27th Essex District. At the same time he announced that he will be running as the Independent candidate for that office.

Superintendent of Schools Kenneth R. Seifert Tuesday night recommended to the School Committee a No. 2 man who would have "broad basic responsibilities for grades K through 12." Seifert recommended the title for the No. 2 man be "assistant superintendent."

10 Years Ago

"A World of Difference Is a World of Knowing" was the theme of the first World Cultures Day held at Andover High School on Friday. The day marked the end of a week-long project celebrating the diversity of students at the high school. A highlight of the day was an assembly that

kicked off a full day of events exploring different cultures.

The grand reopening of Town Hall will be celebrated by a weekend of activities at the newly restored historic building on Main Street. The events begin May 6, the Town Hall's rededication and Founder's Day. Andover's founding dates to 1646. All activities are open to the public and are sponsored by the Andover Historical Society.

Although Robert McQuade, Andover's public works director, says the town's roads are in good shape compared to those of some neighboring municipalities, he admits there are miles to go before the street system is in great shape. To be exact, 59.2 miles. Almost 40 percent of Andover's 160 miles of streets and roadways can use some type of repair. Of that, major maintenance in the form of resurfacing is needed on about 30 miles of road.

International folk singer and songwriter Fred Small will appear at the Crossroads Coffeehouse at North Parish Unitarian Church on Saturday. Local singer and guitarist David Goldfinger will open the concert at 8 p.m.

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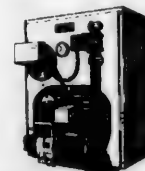


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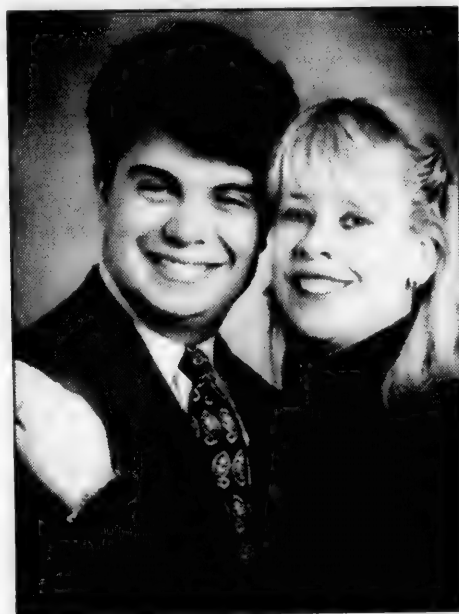
Simko-Grange

John and Carolyn Simko of Andover announce the engagement of their daughter, Kristen Marie, to Christian Andrew Grange, son of John and Margaret Grange of Chelmsford.

Ms. Simko is a graduate of Andover High School and Merrimack College. She is employed by the North Andover public schools.

Mr. Grange is a graduate of Chelmsford High School and Michigan State University. He is employed by The Lighthouse School in Chelmsford.

The couple plan a July wedding.



**Alexander Dawson and
Lisa Hardman**

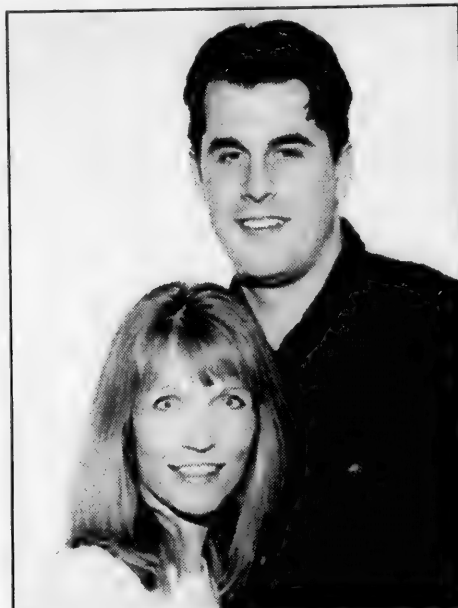
Hardman-Dawson

George and Lidia Hardman of Rohnert Park, Calif., announce the engagement of their daughter, Lisa Michelle, to Alexander Benjamin Dawson, son of Drs. Adrian and Molly Dawson of Andover.

Ms. Hardman is a graduate of Rancho Colate High School and San Francisco State University. She is employed by The Doctor's Company in Napa, Calif.

Mr. Dawson graduated from Andover High School and Trinity College in Hartford, Conn. He is employed by Fidelity Investments in Smithfield, R.I.

The couple plan a May wedding in Petaluma, Calif.



**Elizabeth Bainbridge and
Sean McNamara**

Bainbridge-McNamara

Trevor and Margaret Bainbridge of Andover announce the engagement of their daughter, Elizabeth Anne, to Sean Forrest McNamara, son of Forrest and Maureen McNamara of Pelham, N.H.

Ms. Bainbridge attended the University of Lowell and is employed by Riverside Veterinary Clinic in Haverhill.

Mr. McNamara attended Middlesex Community College and is employed by United Parcel Service in Nashua, N.H.

The couple plan a May wedding.



**Adam C. Robb and
Kim Thielman**

Thielman-Robb

William and Evelyn Thielman of Dennis announce the engagement of their daughter, Kim, to Adam C. Robb, son of Donald and Victoria Robb of Andover.

Ms. Thielman is a graduate of Yarmouth High School in Dennis and University of Massachusetts Dartmouth. She is employed by Charles River Laboratories in Wilmington.

Mr. Robb is a graduate of Andover High School and UMass Dartmouth. He is employed by Cellular One in Westwood.

The couple plan a Sept. 2000 wedding.

O'Connor-Cassa engagement announced

Mr. and Mrs. Donald O'Connor of South Yarmouth, formerly of Andover, announce the engagement of their daughter, Kathleen Anne, to Peter Cassa of Chicago, Ill., son of the late Dorothy Cassa and the late Peter Cassa.

Ms. O'Connor is a graduate of Andover High School, Bridgewater State College, with a B.S. in early childhood education and special education, and of Smith College

with a master's of education of the deaf. She is an elementary teacher in the Natick public school system.

Mr. Cassa, a graduate of Hinsdale Central High School, is an automotive sales consultant for Martin J. Kelly Oldsmobile in Arlington Heights, Ill., and a clinical instructor at Accurate Academy of Electrolisis in Hinsdale, Ill.

The couple plan a July wedding.

Schulz-Brutsch engagement announced

Mr. and Mrs. Eugene S. Schulz of Andover announce the engagement of their daughter, Stefanie Augusta, to David William Brutsch, son of Mr. and Mrs. William A. Brutsch of Milford.

Ms. Schulz, a 1998 graduate of Andover High School, received a bachelor of science degree from Boston University in advertising management.

She is a wholesale mortgage closer with Flagstar Bank, FSB, in Wakefield.

Mr. Brutsch, a 1991 graduate of Milford High School, received an associate degree

in automotive technology from New England Institute of Technology in Warwick, R.I., and a Certificate of Windows NT Administration from Clark University in Framingham.

He is an IT support specialist with EMC Corp. in Hopkinton.

Mr. Brutsch proposed on one knee, ring in a red rose, at the Jackson House Inn in Woodstock, Vt.

The couple plan an afternoon wedding in May at the Andover Inn. They will live in Andover.

Newton-Aaronson

Debra Lynn Aaronson and Reed Stewart Newton were married Aug. 15 at Chez Josef. The Rev. David Ladre and Rabbi Steve Mason performed the ceremony.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Victor Aaronson of Wethersfield, Conn.

She graduated from Wethersfield High School and from the University of New Hampshire with a BA in psychology and master's in elementary education.

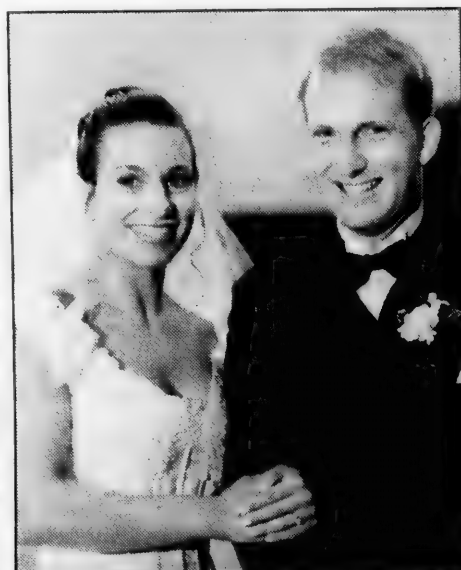
She is a third-grade teacher for Medfield public schools.

Her husband is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Newton of Andover.

He graduated from Andover High School in 1990 and from the University of New Hampshire with a BS in business administration.

He is an account executive with a printing company in Boston.

The couple live in Watertown.



**Debra and Reed
Newton**

Wiederhorn-Kaplan

Elizabeth Kaplan and Jonathan Wiederhorn were married Sept. 6 at Temple Emanuel.

The daughter of Franklin and Carole Kaplan of Andover graduated from Bard College in New York.

She is a European group travel coordinator at EuroSeven Inc. in New York City. She will keep her maiden name.

Her husband is the son of Sheldon and Nancy Wiederhorn of Bethesda, Md.

The Boston University graduate is the executive editor of *Guitar Magazine* in New York City and is also a freelance writer.

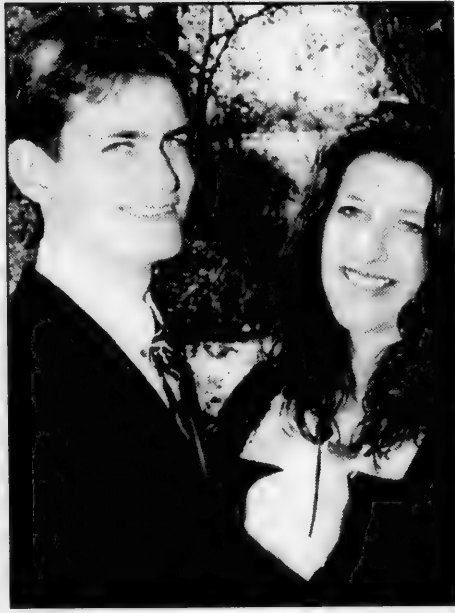
The couple returned to their home in New York following a trip to Greece and Turkey.



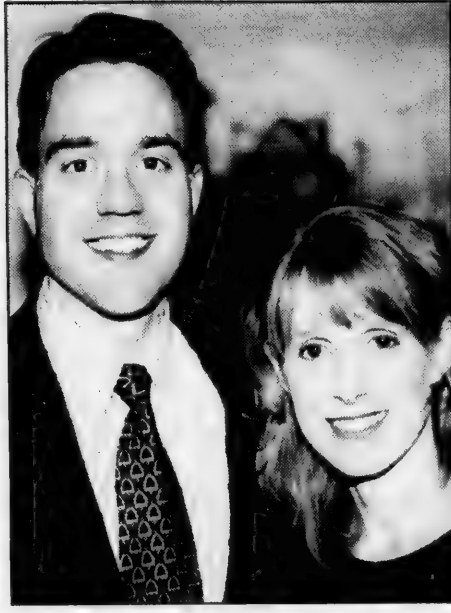
**Elizabeth Kaplan and
Jonathan Wiederhorn**



**Tanuja Majumdar and
Phillip Dehne**



**Michael Sørensen and
Meredith Collins**



**David Bellemore and
Kellyann MacLean**



**Christine Boness and
Dr. James Whitman**

Majumdar-Dehne

Shyamal K. and Jhorna Majumdar of Easton, Pa., have announced the engagement of their daughter, Tanuja, to Phillip Andrew Dehne, son of John and Carol Dehne of Andover.

Ms. Majumdar received a J.D. degree from Syracuse University College of Law, a M.A. degree from University of Pennsylvania, and a B.A. degree from Lafayette College. She is an attorney at Saul, Ewing, Remick & Saul, LLP, in Philadelphia, Pa.

Mr. Dehne received a B.A. degree from Lafayette College and is a doctoral student in history at Syracuse University.

The couple plan a May wedding.

Collins-Sørensen

Pamela E. Collins of DelMar, Calif., and James A. Collins of Andover announce the engagement of their daughter, Meredith Elizabeth, to Michael Billie Sørensen, son of Carlston Sørensen of Copenhagen, Denmark.

Ms. Collins is a graduate of Andover Junior High and Torrey Pines High School in DelMar, Calif., and attended Santa Barbara Junior College. The assistant manager of Imaginarium in Escondido, Calif., is attending Palomar College in San Marcos, Calif.

Mr. Sørensen graduated from Copenhagen Engineering College and is attending Palomar College. He will transfer to San Diego State in the fall.

The couple plan a July wedding.

MacLean-Bellemore

Kellyann MacLean and David Bellemore of Woodbury, Conn., announce their engagement.

Ms. MacLean, the daughter of Gregory and Elaine MacLean of Andover and Donna Burns of Tucson, Ariz., graduated from Andover High in 1988 and from Dartmouth College, cum laude, in 1992. She received a MBA from Stanford University in 1998.

She is a product manager at Duracell in Bethel, Conn.

Mr. Bellemore, the son of Shirley Bellemore of Chelmsford, and Arthur Bellemore of Salem, N.H., is a 1988 graduate of Chelmsford High. He received a bachelor's and master's in electrical engineering from Dartmouth.

He is a senior electrical engineer with Cidra Corp. in Wallingford, Conn.

The couple plan a May 30 wedding in Gloucester.

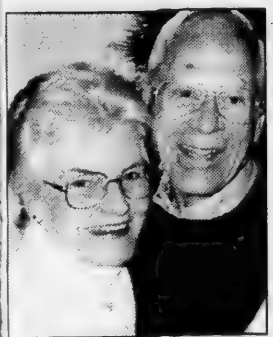
Boness-Whitman

Nuala and John Boness of Andover announce the engagement of their daughter, Christine, to Dr. James Whitman, son of Estelle and Joel Whitman of Swampscott.

Ms. Boness, a 1987 graduate of Andover High School, completed undergraduate education at Cornell University and obtained a law degree from the University of Pennsylvania Law School. She practices estate planning with Lynch, Brewer, Hoffman & Sands LLP in Boston.

Dr. Whitman, a graduate of Northfield Mount Herman, attended Tufts University and University of Pennsylvania Medical School. He practices pediatrics with Framingham Pediatrics PC in Framingham.

The couple plan a May wedding.



**Mr. and Mrs.
Harold A.
Rutter Jr.**

Rutters together for 50 years

Harold A. and Dorothea (Ramsay) Rutter Jr. of 54 Morton St. celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on Jan. 8. The couple was surprised with a dinner party, despite a winter storm.

Harold, a lifelong resident of Andover, ran Andover Plumbing and Heating for many years.

Dorothea is a familiar face at Christ Church's Thrift Shop, where she has been a longtime volunteer and is one of the managers.

The couple met on a blind date and later were married in Belmont. They have three children and six grandchildren.

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BIRTHS

BAPTISTE - Twin daughters, Madeleine Jeanne and Samantha Joan, born to James and Karen (Sawyer) Baptiste of 366 North Main St. on March 8 at Massachusetts General Hospital in Boston. Grandparents are Joan and Bill Sawyer of Waltham and Jeanne Baptiste of Chicopee. The twins have a brother, Alexander, 2.

CRUM - A daughter, Gretchen Sara, born to Jennifer and Phillip Crum of Andover on March 24 at Beth Israel Deaconess Hospital in Boston. Grandparents are Sara and Ed Phelps of Prairie Village, Kansas, and Mary Lou and Allen Crum of Olathe, Kansas.

DALTON - A son, Scot Patrick, born to Richard and Julie (Levay) Dalton of 16 Paulor-

nette Circle on April 12 at Lawrence General Hospital. Grandparents are Alex and Theresa Levay of Andover and Harold and Janice Hayes of Englewood, Fla., formerly of Andover. Scot has a brother, Alex, 2.

GRIFFIN - A daughter, Aisling M., born to Michael and Amy Curtin Griffin of Chico, Calif. on March 8. Grandparents are Leo and Nancy Griffin of Andover and Jane Freitas and Dean Curtin of Lexington. Aisling has a sister, Kallie, 2.

HURLEY - Twin boys, Maxwell Ambrose and Ethan Spencer, born to Joseph and Susan (Carrick) Hurley of Tyngsboro on March 28 at New England Medical Center in Boston. Grandparents are Jean and Robert Carrick of Andover and Joseph and Virginia Hurley of Tewksbury.

KINDLAN - A daughter, Siobhan Maria, born to Brian and Sandra Jane (Greenaway) Kindlan of 16

Cuba St. on March 1 at Holy Family Hospital and Medical Center in Methuen. Grandparents are Nancy Greenaway of New Canaan, Conn., William J. Greenaway of Aliso Viejo, Calif., Mary F. Kindlan of North Chelmsford and the late Hugh J. Kindlan Jr.

LEVINE - A son, Gabriel Ray, born to Eli and Katharine Knowles Levine of 69 High St. on March 8 at Winchester Hospital in Winchester. Grandparents are Meredith Anne Knowles of Bridgewater and Rita Roth Levine of Hamden, Conn. Great-grandparent is Viela Knowles of Quincy. Gabriel has a brother, Benjamin, 2.

LICATA - A daughter, Hayley Alyson, born to Frank and Kathryn (Whiting) Licata of Everett on April 1 at Salem Hospital. Grandparents are Frank Whiting and Edith Whiting of Plymouth and Frank Licata and Kathleen Licata of

Andover. Nancy Licata of Revere is her great-grandmother.

MCDONOUGH - A daughter, Colleen Anne, born to Robert and Mary McDonough of Greenland, N.H., on April 25 at Portsmouth Hospital. Grandparents are Arthur and Dorothy Driscoll of Andover and Robert and Virginia McDonough of Portsmouth, N.H. Colleen has twin sisters, Abby and Elise.

PULEO - A daughter, Alyssa Jane, born to David and Beth Puleo of 5 Dumbarton St., on April 16 at Winchester Hospital. Grandparents are John and Virginia Caswell of Andover, Judith Puleo of Hingham and Steven Puleo of Williamsburg, Va. Great-grandmother is Almeida Kehoe of Andover. Alyssa has a brother, Jonathan.

RUNGREN - A daughter, Sarah Joanne, born to Lawrence Rungren and Marilyn Freedman of 1 North Tanglewood Way on April 1 at

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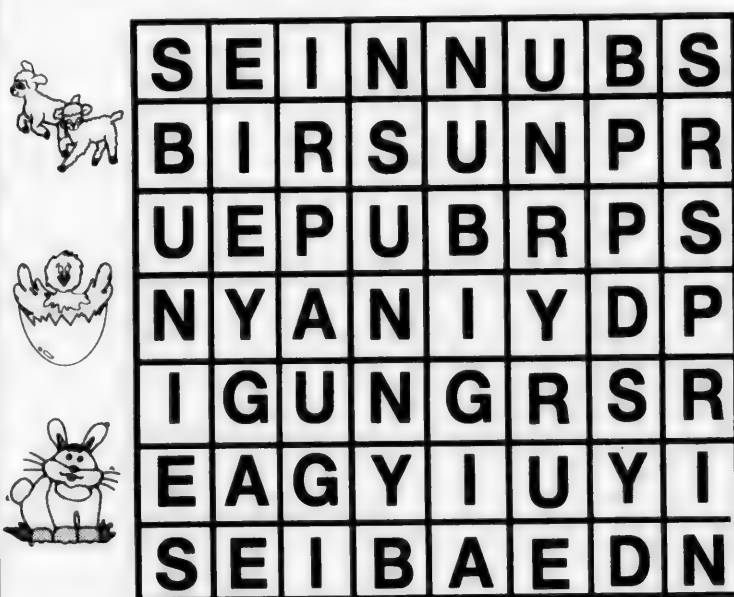
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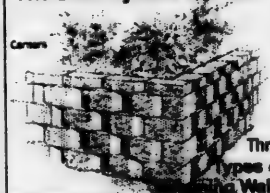
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BIRTHS

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Holy Family Hospital and Medical Center in Methuen. Grandparents are Henrietta Freedman of Nashua, N.H., and Eunice and Clifton Rungren of Loves Park, Ill. Sarah has two siblings, David and Elin.

SALIBE - A daughter, Dayna Naomi, born to Paul and Judy (Anderson) Salibe on April 8 at Brigham and Womens Hospital in Boston. Grandparents are George and Mary Salibe and David and Naomi Anderson. Dayna has a brother, Paul Jr.

WADE - A son, Cameron James, born to Glenn and

Donna Wade of North Reading on April 15 at Winchester Hospital. Grandparents are David and Clara Wade of Andover and Edward and Rita Souza of New Bedford. Great-grandparents are Ken and Ruth Wade of Northport, Fla. Cameron has a brother, Evan, 4.

WITT - A daughter, Callie Ann, born

to Thomas and Debra (Stepp) Witt of North Andover on March 28 at Holy Family Hospital and Medical Center in Methuen. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Francis J. Witt of Andover and Mr. and Mrs. Grover L. Stepp of Camden, Tenn. Callie has two brothers, Derek Thomas and Devin Andrew.

Births are published the first Thursday of the month

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The monthly family service is held on the first Friday night of each month. The "Tot Shabbat" is specifically geared to younger children and will precede the regular adult service at 8:15. The service is open to all, particularly non-members who wish to learn more about the temple's programs for children and families.

Open house May 16 at Chabad Hebrew School

Chabad Hebrew School at 310 North Main St. will hold an open house Sunday, May 16, from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. A morning program will be held for boys and girls ages 5-13 from 9 a.m. to noon.

No synagogue membership is required. To receive a registration packet or for more information, call Chabad at 475-1853.

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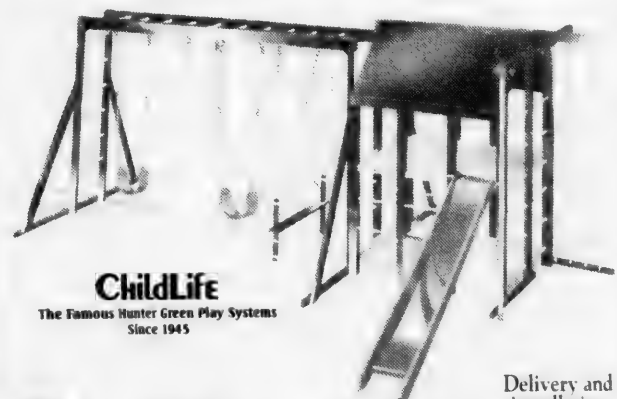
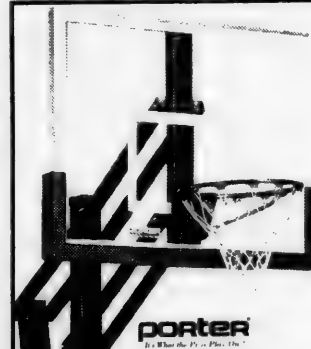
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OBITUARIES

Edith P. Lawrence

Was the church extension director for the Baptist Convention of New England

Edith P. Lawrence, 82, died Thursday, April 8, in Millbury.

The former Hartford, Conn., resident graduated from Bulkeley High School in Hartford in 1935. She also graduated from Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary in Fort Worth, Texas.

She was a U.S. Navy Wave from 1943 to 1962, serving as a C.P.O. in communications during World War II and the Korean Conflict.

Mrs. Lawrence was a former member of Broadview Community Church in Hartford and Judson Memorial Baptist Church in Lawrence.

She was the church extension director for the Baptist Convention of New England and retired to Andover in 1979.

Members of her family include her brothers, Donald Lawrence of King George, Va., and Edward Lawrence of Tallahassee.

She was the daughter of Edward and Pauline (Pinneo) Lawrence and sister of Leroy Lawrence, who was killed in World War II.

Memorial services will be held Saturday, May 8, at 2 p.m. in Rice Memorial Baptist Church, 85 Lincoln St., Northboro. A reception will follow in the church Fellowship Hall.

Memorial contributions may be made to Northeastern Baptist School of Ministry, care of Carolyn Allen, 6 Apple Tree Drive, West Millbury, MA 01527.

Rose Asoian

Worked for many years at family farm on River Road

Rose "Hum" (Loosigian) Asoian, 82, of Andover died Thursday, April 29, at Academy Manor Nursing Home.

The former Haggetts Pond Road resident was born in North Andover and attended Punchard High.

She worked for many years at the former family business, Pleasant View Farm, on River Road.

Members of her family include her sons and daughters-in-law, John M. and Eileen Asoian of Methuen and Richard and Peggy Asoian of Andover; daughter and son-in-law, Peggy Sheperd Goldman and Gerald Goldman of Methuen; brothers, Harry Loosigian of Andover and William Loosigian of Salem, N.H.; sisters, Shark Ovoian and Vee Franklin, both of Watertown, and Sophie Martin of Milford; five grandchildren; four great-grandchildren; and many nieces and nephews.

A funeral Mass was said Monday at St. Gregory Armenian Apostolic Church in North Andover. Burial was in West Parish Cemetery.

Arrangements were by Cataudella Funeral Home in Methuen.

Memorial contributions may be made to Merrimack Valley Hospice, 360 Merrimack St., Building 90, Lawrence, MA 01843.

Lina A. Stowers

Lived here for 47 years

Lina A. (Weller) Stowers, 89, of Andover died Friday, April 30, Wingate at Andover.

Mrs. Stowers was born and educated in Methuen. She graduated from Edward F. Searles High in 1927. After graduation from Cannon Commercial College in Lawrence, she worked in the legal clerical field.

Mrs. Stowers was a resident of Andover for 47 years.

Members of her family include her husband of 64 years, Frank A. Stowers of Andover; son and daughter-in-law, Irving F. and Patricia Stowers of Livermore, Calif.; and several nieces, nephews and cousins.

Funeral services were held Wednesday at Charles Dewhirst, Edgerley and Bessom Funeral Home. Burial was in Bellevue Cemetery in Lawrence.

Memorial contributions may be made to Capital Campaign of Forest Street Union Church, 15 Forest St., Methuen, MA 01844.

OBITUARIES

Rose Asoian, 82

Albert Desrocher, 81

Edith P. Lawrence, 82

Christine M. Maiorana, 75

Joseph J. Morkeski, 77

Emile J. Rajotte, 78

Richard L. Slager, 65

Lina A. Stowers, 89

Deaths Elsewhere

DESROCHER - Albert Desrocher, 81, of Lawrence died Monday, April 26, at St. Elizabeth Hospital in Boston.

Members of his family include his brother, Edward Desrocher of Andover.

MAIORANA - Christine M. (Toscano) Maiorana, 75, of North Andover died Tuesday, April 27, at Lawrence General Hospital.

Members of her family include her sister, Mary Titone of Andover.

MORKESKI - Joseph J. Morkeski, 77, of North Andover and North Fort Myers, Fla., died Tuesday, April 27, at Veterans Hospital in Bedford.

Members of his family include his stepson, Daniel Ferris of Andover, and his wife, Susan Ferris.

RAJOTTE - Emile J. Rajotte, 78, of Lawrence died Thursday, April 29, at Lawrence General Hospital.

Members of his family include his sister, Rose Robinson of Andover.

SLAGER - Richard L. Slager Sr., 65, of Manchester, N.H., died Tuesday, April 27, at home.

Members of his family include his sister, Helen LaRose of Andover.

Music Sunday at South Church is this Sunday, May 9

Sunday, May 9 is Music Sunday at South Church, United Church of Christ.

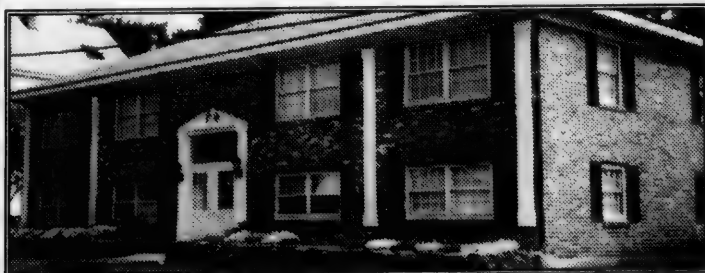
George Frederick Handel's *Water Music Suite* and Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart's *Mass in C (K.317) Coronation* will be performed at the 10:30 a.m. worship service by the combined sanctuary choirs of West Parish Church and South Church and players and singers from the community.

The service will feature soloists from both churches, choirs, orchestra and organ conducted by Tamara Rozek, director of music at South Church.

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NEWS FOR SENIORS

By Pat Becker

Here are some of the activities planned at the Andover Senior Center.

SENIOR CENTER WEEK

The week of May 9 is celebrated nationally as Senior Center Week. Complimentary morning refreshments, special theme lunches and special events will be offered. Details are in the May newsletter. Read carefully as tickets will be necessary for some programs.

MOVIE MATINEE

Stepmom, a film about the joys and challenge of family life in the '90s starring Susan Sarandon and Julia Roberts, will be shown Monday, May 10. ICE CREAM SMORGASBORD AND ENTERTAINMENT

An ice cream smorgasbord, followed by the Andover rope-skipping team, The Andover Hoppers, will be Thursday, May 13, at 2 p.m. Bring along friends, neighbors and grandchildren. Tickets are \$3 and available at the center.

GREEK CULTURAL CELEBRATION

The Senior Center will be open Sunday, May 16, at 2 p.m. to enjoy "Children of Greece" dance ensemble and Greek pastry and refreshments. Tickets are \$2 by advance purchase only. No tickets will be available at the door.

INTERGENERATIONAL FUN:

DIFFERENCE THROUGH THE DECADES

The four-session class will bring together senior center participants with Andover High School students to take a

look back at the 20th century. Trends in fashion, dance, music, lifestyle, etc., will be compared with what's popular today. Class will meet May 18 and 28 and June 7 and 9 from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at the center (bring lunch). Call Pat Becker.

OSTEOPOROSIS PROGRAM

A program on osteoporosis, part of the center's women's health series, will be held tomorrow at 9 a.m. Women of all ages are invited.

BIRDING/NATURE TRIPS

Maureen O'Neill will give guided tours of three birding-nature sites Wednesdays, May 12, 19, and 26. Tentative trips include Parker River Nature Site, Ipswich River Wildlife Sanctuary and the Habitat, Audubon property. Preregistration is required.

INTRODUCTION TO THE INTERNET

Introduction to the Internet, a one-session class, will be held Tuesday, May 11, from 1 to 4 p.m. at a cost of \$20. Preregistration is a must.

MEN'S EXERCISE CLASS

An eight-week session of the men's exercise class is getting underway. The group meets Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays at 8:15 a.m. Newcomers are welcome.

AGE, YOUTH AND TIME

Andover seniors and Phillips Academy students have been working together for six weeks on the topic of age, youth and time, under the direction of professional puppeteer Judith O'Hare. Their original produc-

tion will be given at Phillips Academy Kemper Auditorium Thursday, May 13, at 4:30 p.m. There is no admission charge.

WATER AEROBICS

An eight-week session of women's water aerobics will begin Monday, May 17, from 9 to 10 a.m. at Holiday Inn on Route 133. Cost is \$15. Register at the center.

AARP meetings held at the Senior Center

William Mahoney of the state speakers bureau will speak to the Andover/North Andover chapter of AARP at its regular 1:30 p.m. second Tuesday meeting, May 11. He will respond to audience questions about what the American Association of Retired Persons, better known as AARP, does. With improvements in average life expectancies, there needs to be improvement in the quality of the lives of older Americans. Once few were expected to live long enough to receive much Social Security, so running out of money wasn't considered a problem. Now people are living longer and Social Security is in trouble. Instead of compounding incoming funds, the money has been taken over by the Treasury in a bookkeeping transaction at rates which do not maintain the purchasing power of the dollars in the fund. The economy sustains our standard of living, not the government, Mahoney says.



Surfing the World Wide Web — Libby Greenstein (seated) and Edith Fagin are among many residents of Woodbridge, an assisted living community, who have learned to surf the Internet and send e-mail on a computer set aside for their use. Greenstein said, "I would have loved to have seen my kids faces when they got e-mail from me." The former Andover resident jokes that she doesn't read her morning paper until night because she is busy on the computer and doing other activities. Woodbridge, at 240 Lynnfield St. in Peabody, is sponsored by the Jewish Rehabilitation Center for Aged of the North Shore.

AARP is nationally known for putting pressure on government legislatures but is doing more by leading individuals to do more for themselves, to have more fun, to become more communicative and to be more productive. Thousands of unpaid AARP volunteers help seniors get government help, but more importantly, become active themselves in their own enjoyment of life.

A video of next year's Copper Canyon trip to Mexico, being arranged by

chapter president Eleanor Fritsch through Collette Tours, will be shown.

Meetings are held at the Andover Senior Center on Whittier Court. A business meeting will include an opportunity to ask questions, air gripes and possibly get answers and refreshments will be served.

Bring non-perishable and paper goods for Lazarus House of Lawrence.

SOCIAL NOTEBOOK

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9 p.m.; Friday, May 14, from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. and Saturday, May 15, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Local MAVIS chapter plans fund-raising golf tournament

MAVIS of Massachusetts (Mothers Against Violence In Schools) will hold its sixth annual golf tournament Monday, June 21, at Windham Country Club in Windham, N.H., starting at 7:30 a.m. For more information, call Linda at 685-9512.

Friends of the Senior Center nominated for United Way award

The Friends of the Andover Senior Center Inc. have been nominated for the United Way of Merrimack Valley's Voluntary Action Center/JC Penney Golden Rule Award for outstanding volunteerism in the community. The Friends will be recognized for the efforts at an awards luncheon May 21 at Andover Country

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Phillips Academy Special Mother's Day Service of Celebration Cochran Chapel, 11:00 a.m.



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Business

Business briefs ...

Tactician software to be used by the feds

Tactician Corp., Andover, announced that the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency (OCC) has purchased CRA Analyzer to support analysis of bank compliance with the Community Reinvestment Act (CRA) and other fair lending laws and regulations.

The OCC regulates approximately 3,000 financial institutions. The CRA Analyzer software and data are currently used by the FDIC and Federal Reserve Board of Governors (FRB) in Washington, D.C. and FRB member banks.

Since 1995, Tactician Corporation, in conjunction with a multi-regulator task force, has continued to enhance the CRA Analyzer for use by field examiners. CRA Analyzer maps the lending patterns resulting from the combination of lending data from the bank with the Home Mortgage Disclosure Act (HMDA) database and demographics from census sources.

Tactician Corporation also offers CRA Analyzers directly to the banks to use for their own analysis and in preparation for CRA regulatory examinations and for the conditioning of lending data for their annual HMDA and CRA submissions to the Federal Reserve, due each March 1.

Tony Buxton, Tactician CEO, said, "We are excited about working with the OCC to assist in the review of bank lending activities under CRA and HMDA. We have in the past, and will continue in the future, to accept input from all financial institutions in the continuance of the CRA Analyzer product to meet the highest standards of quality and ease-of-use."

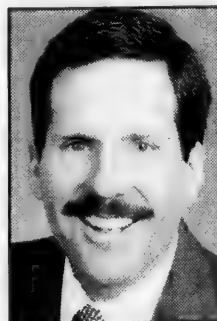
The CRA Analyzer software is pre-loaded onto laptop computers along with cartographic, census, aggregate CRA and HMDA unit record loan data. Users can import, geocode and analyze data from the bank's mainframe, server or PC databases to produce customized maps and perform analytic procedures in a matter of hours and display multiple geographic overlays

such as states, counties, census tracts, zip codes and streets and produce a myriad of useful report.

Tactician Corporation is a worldwide developer and supplier of global micro-marketing solutions for sales, marketing and business planning. Its software and data is available for Windows, Windows 95, Windows 98 and Windows NT.

Ingram promoted

The Boston office of Arthur Andersen announced the promotion of **Stephen W. Ingram**, of Andover, who has been with the firm since 1986, from manager to partner in the high technology audit and business advisory services practice.



Stephen Ingram

He has more than 12 years of experience working with start-up, early stage and emerging technology companies in New England and is a member of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants and the Massachusetts Society of CPAs.

Arthur Andersen is a global multidisciplinary professional services firm.

Collins to preside at university women's conference

Pamela A. Collins, of Andover, president of the American Association of University Women of Massachusetts (AAUW-MA), will preside at the association's spring conference May 7-8, the Radisson Inn in Marlborough.

Faith D'Aluisio, of California, co-author of *Women in the Material World*, will set the tone for the international theme of the conference in her keynote presentation Friday evening.

The conference theme, "A World of Women: Changing the World," will be amplified by **Kay Campbell**, of Hingham, in a workshop on Saturday entitled "A Legacy of Quiet Kindness: the Women's Charities of Saudi Arabia." Campbell, a vice president at BankBoston, spent eight years in Saudi Arabia as a translator/interpreter and wrote for the

English language press.

A second workshop presentation by **Amy Fisher**, a corporate finance lawyer, will describe the development of microbanks and how they can be used for "positive societal change." She worked in Bangladesh on a Fulbright Fellowship with **Muhammad Yumus**, head of the Grameen Bank studying credit's effect on domestic violence. She is now economic development specialist at Quincy 2000.

A panel of AAUW Educational Foundation Fellow will discuss how the study they are doing in the United States will be used to improve the lives of women in their native countries when they return home.

A luncheon presentation on the Virginia Gildersleeve Society by **Sema Faigen**, former AAUW-MA president, will describe this program of the AAUW Educational Foundation that funds international action programs.

Collins will preside over the annual meeting, which will celebrate the year's accomplishments and project future goals with the newly-elected officers.

Some 100 plus members of AAUW branches in communities throughout the state are expected to attend the two-day conference, which has been planned by **Susan Pokress** of North Andover, AAUW-MA vice president of program.

Local residents contribute to 'Cones for Kids'

Andover residents contributed \$1,343 to Friendly's 18th annual "Cones for Kids" campaign. The money will help fund 59 Easter Seals swim programs for children and adults with disabilities in communities in Massachusetts.

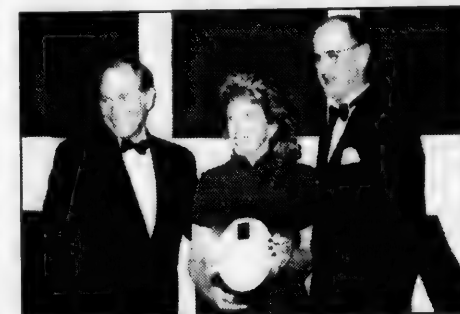
Friendly's Restaurants raised \$266,800 in Massachusetts and \$1.4 million nationwide to support Easter Seals services.

"Friendly's crews and guests are committed to Easter Seals. They know the money they raise helps their neighbors with disabilities," said **Dennis Roberts**, Friendly's senior vice president of Restaurant Operations.

Friendly's guests received five children's Valentine Day cards for a \$1 donation to Easter Seals. The cards featured new characters from Friendly's children's menu and are redeemable for free Friend-

ly's kid cones. Guests also received a coupon book with \$45 worth of money-saving coupons on some Friendly's favorites and a coupon valid for a free 8-by-10-inch color portrait from Photography by JC Penney.

During the 18 years the Friendly's Ice Cream Corp. and Easter Seals have worked as partners, Friendly's has raised more than \$18 million to support Easter Seals services for children and adults with disabilities.



Congrats — Johanna Webster receives recognition from **Donald Norton**, president of the Greater Boston Broker Council, and **Mac Heavner**, the guest speaker known as Mr. ERA at the 1998 Agent Awards Dinner in Boston.

Webster Group wins awards

ERA The Webster Group was recognized in several categories recently at the Greater Boston Broker Council 1998 Agent Awards Dinner at the World Trade Center in Boston.

Categories included top-volume broker, two-million-dollar agent, and million-dollar agent.

Johanna Webster, broker/owner, was second runner-up in the top volume broker category. This is the third year she placed in the top three of this category. She sold more than \$15 million in 1998. **Barbara Donovan Rizzo**, sales agent with The Webster Group, was recognized in the million-dollar category. Rizzo, accompanied by her husband, **Bob**, son, **Christopher**, and daughter, **Jillian**, attributed her success to the guidance and training from Webster and the support of her family. Also recognized as a million-dollar producer was **John Zak**, another sales agent with The Webster Group.

Blame ...

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have got to understand what they do to kids who are different when they tease them. Today we talk about diversity and in our high schools we are teaching that diversity is good, but we're talking about race more than personality type.

When we gathered the group of teens at the *Townsmen* for our teen series years ago, those kids were respectful of one another. Perhaps it was because the adults involved in the conversations respected all the kids in the room.

I remember when we gathered a group of adult leaders from Andover to talk about what the teens said, and

Andover High School counselors talked about their overwhelming work load. Really, their job was to help seniors get into college and with whatever time they had left, they were to help adolescents with other overwhelming problems.

High schools today should pay for more counselors before athletic coaches, before new textbook series, even before lower teacher-pupil ratios.

When Littleton's massacre first occurred, I kept thinking of some kind of a mentoring program, a system that would assign a peer or an interested adult with every young person in a community, a person who would be like a big brother or sister, in case that young person's parent was absent, not caring or not noticing. I kept thinking, it really does take a whole village to raise a child.

My children tell me that it's too late to have a mentor-

ing program in middle school or high school. They say you have to begin earlier, even at first grade.

It's not easy to approach a teen-ager with rings through his nose and lip. When a girl paints her lips and nails black and spikes her green hair, the message to me is, "Stay away, I'm unapproachable."

However, I know often the message is "I'm experimenting, wondering what it feels like to step out and be different." Or the message is, "I can't get attention by making good grades, or writing good poetry or excelling at sports, so I'll get attention any way I can."

That's what the two killers did at Columbine High last week. They got plenty of attention. Now we have to pay attention and figure how to head off the next rain of rage.

Ferry Colmore is former editor of the Townsman.

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tem performance by performing an annual \$150 tank pump down with a \$50 enzyme treatment to promote solids breakdown. For all the current sewer rate payers, I pose the question, "How much control do you have over future sewer-treatment plant projects and associated rate hikes?"

Andover is my home town. After over a 17-year absence while attending college, serving a five-year tour of duty as a submarine officer in the U.S. Navy and living in several other localities, my wife and I returned to Andover with our family in July 1996. I was delighted to be back home again and my wife was extremely satisfied with the quality of the community and our wonderful neighborhood.

Unfortunately, since we have returned, the upward spiral of taxation as a result of uncontrolled spending and now an unjust sewer betterment are forcing us to reconsider our decision to move to Andover. We are shocked and dismayed at the bureaucracy of town government and our inability to keep up with the excessive cost of living. I am deeply disturbed about the state of town government after witnessing the recent Town Meeting debacle.

The overwhelming support for Articles 39 and 40, which now mandate that transcripts of all selectmen meetings and Finance Committee meetings be recorded in their entirety and made available in the public domain, indicates that the majority of Town Meeting attendees have a genuine distrust for our town administration and elected officials. This is not the Andover in which my seven brothers and sisters and I grew up in the 1970s.

Joseph E. Veilleux, P.E.
12 Linda Road

In praise of Ed Gordon

Editor, *Townsmen*:

I note with sadness the passing of Ed Gordon, a longtime practicing attorney in Andover.

Ed was a quietly competent, pleasant and honorable man whose word was always good. He was also a very loyal family man. In short, he was a man to be admired.

Bill Dalton
Formerly of Andover, now of Atlanta

Why so negative on sewer vote?

Editor, *Townsmen*:

Re: Neil Fater's report on the sewer discussion and vote at Town Meeting ("Going with the flow on sewers," *Townsmen*, April 29), a reader might get the impression that debate was stifled and the issue was ramrodded through.

Nothing could be further from the truth. This was the third town meeting at which the sewer was thoroughly discussed. The residents of the town have had ample opportunity to review the master plan. A number of dedicated and hard-working residents have put in many hours to become well informed about the sewer plan and to inform their neighbors at town meeting and at informational meetings in the neighborhoods. Ed Weil and Katherine Scapicchio are but two who deserve the thanks and praise of their neighbors.

The vote was overwhelmingly positive, with the issue winning with more than 80 percent. Nowhere in the article is the vote mentioned. The vast majority of homeowners in the area are delighted. No longer will retirees have to play "Russian roulette" with their septic systems and

their home equity. Young families can be confident a major potential source of bacteria and possible illness will be eliminated from their yards.

Instead of focusing on the negative, perhaps the *Townsmen* should congratulate residents who took the time to learn about the issue and turn out for Town Meeting to participate in the debate and express their support for a cleaner Andover. That would properly frame the issue and let your readers know that the new sewers are well appreciated and supported by the residents of our neighborhoods.

Paul Goslin
2 Random Lane

Yes, she's a lawyer, but not a prosecutor

Editor, *Townsmen*:

Thank you for the article on me and the important work done by AARP Massachusetts ("A new voice for seniors," *Townsmen*, April 29). However, there is one point of fact I would like to clarify. Although I am an attorney and was an assistant attorney general and deputy director of communications for former Attorney General Scott Harshbarger, I was not a prosecutor. Not every assistant attorney general is.

I am proud of the contributions I made while at the AG's office to raise public awareness of a wide variety of issues, including the importance of prevention and prosecution of elder fraud and abuse.

I also have an enormous amount of respect for prosecutors in this state, many of whom I had the privilege of knowing and working with over the years. They have a tough job and are often unsung heroes in the ongoing battle to make our communities safer.

(Being called a prosecutor is probably the most exciting thing anybody has said about me in a long time, though.)

Deborah E. Banda
State Director
AARP Massachusetts

Preserve special charm and character

Editor, *Townsmen*:

Consider this excerpt from a 1924 brochure distributed by the American Woolen Mill Company describing Shawsheen Village:

"... an exceptionally picturesque, up-to-date village ... Approaching it from any direction, you get a vista of substantial, well-placed industrial and mercantile buildings, with plenty of large windows and a brightness of colors that asserts itself, whether the day be cloudy or sunny. The streets are newly and smoothly paved. The houses are individual in design, and attractive too, with a certain air of efficiency about them that seems remarkably businesslike. 'Here is something different,' you say to yourself, and you are absolutely right."

The National Trust for Historic Preservation recognized the unique importance of Shawsheen Village as a planned community in 1978 as a National Historic Register District, a designation without built-in protection.

Is this special charm and character worthy of locally controlled preservation? The Andover Preservation Commission says emphatically YES! The Shawsheen Village Historic District Study Committee is asking the citizens of the town of Andover for permission to establish a local historic district through warrant Article 84. Passing this local historic district bylaw will then enable the appointment of a district commission of (preferably) Shawsheen Village residents representing specific professions. Public hearings will then be held to develop design review standards.

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The bylaw does exempt certain areas from control by this district commission: interiors of buildings, ordinary maintenance, landscaping, terraces, walks, private driveways, color of paint, storm doors, windows, screens, air conditioners, temporary signs and reconstruction to the exterior of a building using similar design necessary because of a natural disaster like a fire or flood.

Such a local district commission was successfully established in Ballardvale in 1995, and continues its work in hearing proposals and advising residents about making historically sensitive changes to buildings in that district.

Your vote in favor of Article 84 will give the residents of Shawsheen Village the ability to develop the tools necessary for them to continue to keep this historic mill community as it was planned, a unique and special place to live. We ask for your support at the upcoming Town Meeting on May 10 and 11.

**Karen Herman, Chair
Andover Preservation Commission**

Fight the power plant

Editor, Townsman:

It was gratifying to see neighbor helping neighbor at Town Meeting last week. Thanks to the generosity of its residents, more homes will have town sewer, studies will be done for new schools and the lights will not go up on the soccer field.

However, there is still some work left to be done. There are just about as many warrant articles left which have not been acted on as have been. One article in particular carries a lot of significance for those of us in West Andover. Article 89 proposes setting aside \$50,000 for research and attorney's fees in the fight against the Dracut power plant. A yes vote will set that money aside for this difficult fight.

Make no mistake about it, this is a serious concern for those of us who care about the air we breathe and the water we drink. Andover and its water supply, Haggetts Pond, is directly downwind from the smokestacks. Cleaner is not clean and quieter is not quiet.

This is a development that has serious collateral effects, which we will ignore at the peril of the quality of our lives. Already people are talking about moving out of West Andover because of this plant.

Is this what we want for our community? Unfortunately, if the water supply is affected, no one will be immune from the effects of this plant. I keep asking myself why this plant, a behemoth by any measure, has to be built so close to residential areas of four different towns. One of the reasons I chose Andover was because of the low industrialized development with its accompanying pollution and soot.

It would be a shame, but not unimaginable, that one plant could start a process whereby no areas will be safe from the blighting effects of over-industrialization. An important part of our town is at stake. Please be sure to come out to vote yes on Article 89 and help preserve Andover's quality of life.

**Donald McCandless
20 Ravens Bluff**

Get the facts on proposed power plant

Editor, Townsman:

The Nickel Hill Energy Project is a 750-megawatt, gas-fueled, state-of-the-art facility proposed to be located on Brox Industries property in Dracut.

Nickel Hill recently filed its application with the Massachusetts Energy Facilities Siting Board. Additional permits or approvals must be obtained from the Department of Environmental Protection and pursuant to the Massachusetts Environmental Protection Act.

The overall state permitting process will extend over the next 12 to 18 months with the state agencies scrutinizing virtually every aspect of the proposed facility. As part of that permitting process, Nickel Hill will be undertaking an analysis of the impacts on public health and cumulative air impacts, including the operation of incinerators in the region.

As that process goes forward, Nickel Hill is committed to providing the public with accurate, detailed information so that the citizens of communities such as Andover are well informed. That is our pledge and our commitment.

Andover Town Meeting will soon consider Article 89 as it relates to this project. As the project manager for the Nickel Hill project, I want to highlight information concerning the proposed facility that may help to clear up certain misconceptions. Hopefully this will be of assistance to Andover's citizens as they consider their position on Article 89. I also want to reiterate my personal commitment to continue to provide this type of information to the public. The recent public informational meetings, including the one held in Andover on April 6, are tangible evidence of that effort.

• **Sound:** Nickel Hill will not be heard in Andover when operational. The closest residence in Andover is approximately three-quarters of a mile from the project site itself. Suggestions that the project will be as loud as a dishwasher or lawn mower from vantage points in Andover are absolutely and totally inaccurate.

• **Air quality:** Nickel Hill will eliminate thousands of tons per year of pollutants by displacing older, much less efficient oil- and coal-fired plants. The result will be improved air quality for Massachusetts and the rest of New England. That is why environmental advocates such as the Conservation Law Foundation are active supporters of facilities such as Nickel Hill. Those facts must, and will, be demonstrated by the project in the state permitting process.

Of more immediate concern to the residents of Andover and the surrounding communities, the quality of the air you breathe will not be negatively impacted by the Nickel Hill project. Suggestions that the Nickel Hill facility will contribute to cancer rates in the Merrimack Valley are factually wrong, inflammatory in nature and are a disservice to those who want to better understand the project.

• **Merrimack River:** Nickel Hill is committed to working with groups such as the Merrimack River Watershed Council with regard to our proposed use of the Merrimack River. The project has proposed an efficient wet mechanical cooling tower system that will use a minimal amount of

water from the river — approximately 0.06 percent of the river's average flow. That level of water withdrawal will not impact the Merrimack River in a negative manner.

• **Property values:** Our studies indicate that there will be no impact on property values in the immediate vicinity of the project site in Dracut. The fact that Andover residences are at least three-quarters of a mile or further from the site only underscores the lack of an impact on property values in this community.

Nickel Hill Energy views being a good neighbor as central to its overall mission as an energy producer. We have also opened a local office in Dracut to assist us in that effort and can be reached there at (978) 458-7674.

**Tom Favinger
Project Manager
Nickel Hill Energy, LLC**

Health, not industry, should be priority

Editor, Townsman:

Air quality is a major issue in the Merrimack Valley. A recent report by the Environmental Defense Fund, based on EPA research, cited Essex County, Massachusetts, as one of the two most contaminated counties in the Northeast.

How many times do we have to read that we have a problem in our valley before we act to reduce the level of toxic chemicals we breathe? Andover residents must take an active role in protecting our environment.

The main cause of our air pollution is cars and our proximity to three major highways. Incinerators and industry smokestacks add significantly to the problem. Adding a 750-megawatt power plant in Dracut that will spew 600 tons of pollution into the air annually doesn't make sense.

The siting of this plant is not based on regional power needs but rather on the deregulation of the electric power industry in Massachusetts last year. There are now 27 new power plants proposed for the state of Massachusetts. The health of our environment has got to be a bigger priority than an industry profiting from deregulation. What we need is a moratorium on major new sources of emissions while we tackle the emission problems we are already dealing with.

It is important that the town of Andover support warrant Article 89, which will reserve \$50,000 for environmental counsel. Whether or not we are able to stop this power plant, Andover, as the town downwind from the plume of pollution, must work towards the best situation possible. If we can't stop the plant, at least we can fight to reduce its size, have input into the height of the stacks, make sure an evacuation plan is put in place in case of a deadly ammonia spill, and so forth. We need to have an active role in the plant permitting process.

The review process for this plant is complicated and will be dominated by the power company and others who will benefit financially from the plant — heedless of long-term impact. Andover would be wise to have help guiding us through it. Please come to Town Meeting and vote Yes for warrant Article 89 Monday, May 10. If the warrant doesn't come up that evening, come back on May 11. This is a valley-wide

environmental issue that affects all of Andover.

**Mary Pritchard
Matthew Dallett
399 River Road**

Preserve Shawsheen

Editor, Townsman:

I write to applaud the relentless efforts of the Shawsheen Village Historic Preservation Team. Admittedly, I have not been an active member of this group, however, I have paid close attention to what Article 84 proposes, as I am confident that it benefits both Shawsheen as a district and Andover as a town.

I am reluctant to view Article 84 as a "watchdog" group or a zoning commission, as I perceive the goals of this article to be much more about striving to keep Shawsheen's place in history as one of America's first planned communities. That said, I strongly feel that the article should contain "grandfather" laws for those community members adversely affected by the passing of Article 84.

To conclude, I hope that because of the passing of Article 84 in 1999 my house looks as good as it does today 50 years from now. Each brick and clapboard in Shawsheen was put up for a reason that is extremely unique to Andover. None of the other towns around us have anything similar to it, and it like so many things in our great country, Shawsheen deserves to be preserved.

**Patrick J. Marshall
7 Windsor St.**

Beware of trucks

Editor, Townsman:

This letter was sent to Town Manager Reginald Stapczynski:

We wish to make you aware of a dangerous situation on Andover Street from the Ballardvale fire station to the intersection of Dascomb Road.

Trucks are seen speeding on this section everyday. A big dump truck that is fully loaded and going at a good speed does not have a chance of stopping if a child should dart in the road. We have witnessed many incidents in which a child has narrowly escaped being hit. The playground there gets a lot of use and at this time of the year there are young mothers and their very young children getting in and out of their cars and vans, and the trucks going by every day seem totally ignorant of the potential danger.

The intersection of Dascomb Road and Andover Street is another place that should have trucks banned. Big trailer trucks cannot make the turn from Andover Street onto Dascomb Road where the nursing home is located. The big trucks have to take up the entire road when they are trying to make a turn onto Dascomb Road from Andover Street, and cars coming from Andover Street towards Ballardvale cannot see these trucks in the middle of Andover Street until they are on top of them.

We feel, as residents of this neighborhood, that we should notify you of this serious situation. We hope you can make some changes in the routes that these trucks are allowed to take.

**Julie Guild
150 Andover St.
Jane Watson
155 Andover St.**

Sports

Pitching propels varsity softball team into tie for 1st place

By Rick Harrison

Outstanding pitching performances by co-aces Michelle Carpentier and Laura Stone carried the Andover High varsity softball team into a tie for first place in Division 2 of the Merrimack Valley Conference.

Carpentier tossed her second one-hitter of the spring as the Lady Warriors blanked Lawrence, 3-0, and followed that gem with an impressive three-hit shutout in a 2-0 squeeze past Haverhill.

Stone contributed a complete-game six-hitter as AHS nudged Central Catholic, 2-1.

Entering last night's key game with Tewksbury, the Lady Warriors were 8-2 overall, 5-2 in MVC play and riding a three-game win streak.

AHS had allowed only five runs in the last six games and 14 runs in 10 games. Stone and Carpentier have four shutouts and four other one-run games between them.

In 37 innings, Carpentier has yielded only 19 hits and four earned run while striking out 39 and walking six. Her earned run average was a miniscule 0.76 to go with a 5-0 won-lost record.

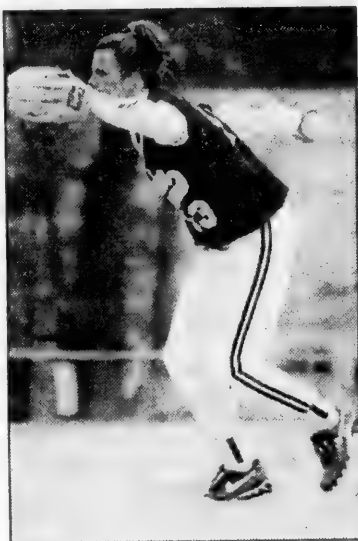
In 35 innings, Stone had allowed 24 hits and three earned runs while fanning 29 and walking five. Her ERA was a stingy 0.60 and the record 3-2.

The AHS baseball team stumbled unexpectedly, with losses to Billerica (8-4) and Methuen (10-7, eight innings) dropping the Golden Warriors into a second place tie in MVC Division 1.

AHS, 6-3 overall and 4-2 in league play prior to yesterday's scheduled game with Lowell, was tied with defending champ Chelmsford and one game behind Central Catholic (9-2, 5-1 league) heading into yesterday's action.

The Andover boys and girls tennis teams took sole possession of first place with showdown wins over previously-undefeated Central Catholic and Lowell respectively.

On the track, both Andover squads came away with impressive



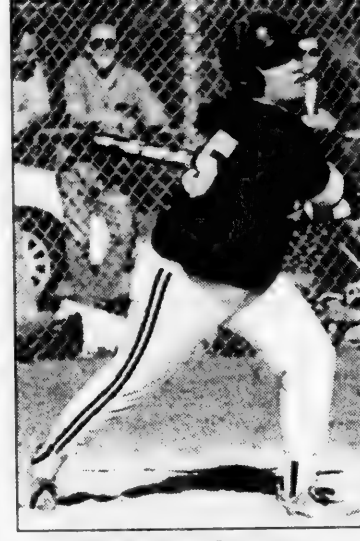
Michelle Carpentier

Photo by Lisa Adelsberger



Michelle Langone

Photo by Carol Van Doren



Madelyn Capano

Photo by Carol Van Doren

conference wins over Chelmsford while the girls won and the boys lost in their non-league dual meets with crosstown rival Phillips Academy.

SOFTBALL

The Lady Warriors need only two more wins to qualify for the Division 1 North Tournament, and three more victories will assure Andover of its first winning softball season in more than two decades.

Schedule

Andover played a key MVC Division 2 game last night under the lights at Tewksbury (8-2 record), and this afternoon is looking to avenge an earlier 2-0 defeat when Notre Dame Academy (4-7) comes to town (3:30 p.m.).

Injury report

Junior catcher Jen Roberge missed the Lawrence and Central Catholic games with back spasms, but returned to the lineup as catcher against Haverhill.

Andover 2 Haverhill 0

The locals managed only one hit off Hillies' tough-luck losing hurler Amy Torla, but single runs in the third and fifth innings were more than enough for Michelle Carpentier (5-0).

Carpentier struck out 10, walked only two, and preserved the shutout by escaping major jams in the third (bases loaded) and sixth (runners at second and third, one out) innings.

"We're having trouble hitting the ball, but once again our defense played very well (one error)," said AHS head coach Stephanie Ragucci. "The outfielders are doing an excellent job of backing one another up, and the pitching has been incredible."

Andover pushed across an unearned run in the third.

Jen Roberge reached on an infield error, stole second, and came around to score when the catcher's throw sailed into center field and also skipped past the outfielder.

Andover's lone hit, and the insurance run, came in the fifth when Lisa

Sawin drilled a triple to right field. With one out, Madelyn Capano was hit by a pitch and Michelle Langone laid down a bunt that rescued Sawin from third.

Erica Dusombre laced two singles and Torla had the other safety for Haverhill.

Roberge was a defensive standout at catcher.

Andover 2 Central Catholic 1

Taylor Traub singled and scored the winning run in the bottom of the fifth, and winning pitcher Laura Stone (3-2) was sharp with a complete-game six-hitter, four strikeouts and no walks.

"We played a strong game defensively, took advantage of Central's mistakes, and Laura pitched another excellent game," said coach Ragucci.

The loss was only the second of the season for Central, which entered the game in sole possession of first place in MVC Division 2.

The Raiders inched ahead 1-0 in the top of the first when losing pitcher Lauren Van Dyke spanked a one-out single to right field. Denise Surran beat out a bunt single, and a throwing error enabled Van Dyke to score.

Stone blanked CCHS the rest of the way, while Andover countered with single runs in the first and fifth frames.

In the first leadoff batter Traub, who scored both runs, walked. Lisa Tisbert beat out a bunt single, and Courtney's Famiglietti's bloop over the pitcher's head went for an infield hit to load the bases.

Kaitlin Dargan's grounder was misplayed, allowing Traub to score the tying run, before Van Dyke settled down and retired the next three batters with no further damage.

Traub opened the fifth with a single to center, moved to third on a throwing error, and scored the game-winning run on Famiglietti's infield out.

Central's only other serious threat

came in the fifth, when the visitors had a runner on third with one out. Stone escaped the jam with a strikeout and popup to first baseman Madelyn Capano, who made a running catch in foul territory.

Van Dyke finished with a six-hitter, two walks and seven strikeouts.

Capano contributed a double for the locals, while Lisa Sawin and Dargan had a single each.

Surran had two hits for Central, and other safeties were by Heather Angell and Mandy Guevara.

Defensive standouts for the winners were leftfielder Amy Axelrod, first baseman Capano and Stone who had five assists on the mound.

Andover 3 Lawrence 0

Senior Michelle Carpentier (4-0), who previously limited Methuen to one hit over nine innings in a 2-1 win and also fired a three-hit shutout at Everett in the season-opener, handcuffed the visiting Lancers.

She lost the no-hitter when Jen Arraji led off the second inning by beating out a sharp infield grounder.

"Kaitlin (Dargan) made a diving stop in the hole, but couldn't get up in time to throw her (Arraji) out," said coach Ragucci.

Carpentier struck out seven, walked two, and Lawrence players hit only two balls out of the infield.

Lancer hurler Adrienne Guzman also pitched well, yielding only six hits and one earned run while walking three and whiffing three.

AHS jumped ahead 2-0 in the bottom of the first when Courtney Famiglietti reached on a two-out infield error, and Dargan laced a two-run homer down the right field line.

It was Dargan's first homer and the team's second (Lisa Sawin) this spring.

The locals added an insurance run in the fourth. Lisa Tisbert laid down a one-out bunt single, took third on Michelle Langone's single to right field, and scored on a passed ball.

Lawrence mounted its only serious threat in the seventh, loading the bases with one out. Carpentier preserved the shutout, however, with a forceout at home and a game-ending groundout to second baseman Taylor Traub.

Other AHS hits, all singles, were by Traub, Famiglietti and Madelyn Capano.

BASEBALL

The losses to Billerica and struggling Methuen created a bump in the road for Andover, whose pitching has been spotty recently.

Sandwiched between the two setbacks was an 18-2 romp over Dracut.

Schedule

Coach Ken Maglio's Golden Warriors played struggling Lowell High (4-5, four straight losses) at Alumni Field in Lowell yesterday.

Saturday night at 7:45, Andover will face Central Catholic in the last

SOFTBALL

ANDOVER 2, HAVERHILL 0 at Andover High

Haverhill — Paszko cf 4-0-0, Torla p 4-0-1, Erica Dusombre ss 3-0-2, Emily Dusombre 1b 3-0-0, McMahon 3b 2-0-0, DiGaetano 2b 3-0-0, DelGrosso lf 2-0-0, Bolduc c 2-0-0, Howell rf 2-0-0, Connor ph 1-0-0, Stewart ph 1-0-0, LoConte ph 0-0-0. Totals: 27-0-3.

Andover — Taylor Traub 2b 2-0-0, Lisa Tisbert ss 3-0-0, Courtney Famiglietti 1b 3-0-0, Kaitlin Dargan 3b 3-0-0, Kerri Axelrod lf 2-0-0, Lisa Sawin cf 2-1-1, Jen Roberge c 2-1-0, Madelyn Capano dp 1-0-0, Michelle Langone rf 1-0-0, Michelle Carpentier p 0-0-0. Totals: 19-2-1.

Haverhill	000	000	0	—	0
Andover	001	010	x	—	2

RBI: A. Langone 1. 3B: Sawin. WP: Michelle Carpentier (5-0) 7ip 3h 0r 0er 2bb 10k. LP: Amy Torla 6ip 1h 2r 1er 5bb 5k. Record: Andover 8-2.

ANDOVER 2, CENTRAL CATHOLIC 1 at Andover High

Central Catholic — Meghan Savage ss-2b 3-0-0, Lauren Van Dyke p 3-1-1, Denise Surran c 3-0-2, Ashley Howell sb-ss 3-0-1, Jill Albano 1b 2-0-0, Heather Angell lf 3-0-1, Karen Anzaldi 2b 1-0-0, Mandy Guevara 3b 2-0-1, Marybeth Saucier cf 3-0-0, Angela Hur-

wood rf 2-0-0. Totals: 25-1-6.

Andover — Taylor Traub 2b 1-2-1, Lisa Tisbert ss 3-0-1, Courtney Famiglietti c 3-0-1, Kaitlin Dargan 3b 3-0-1, Kerri Axelrod lf 3-0-0, Lisa Sawin cf 2-0-1, Michelle Langone rf 3-0-0, Madelyn Capano 1b 3-0-1, Laura Stone p 2-0-0. Totals: 23-2-6.

Central	100	000	0	—	1
Andover	100	010	x	—	2

RBI: A. Famiglietti 1. 2B: Capano. WP: Laura Stone (3-2) 7ip 6h 1r 0er 0bb 4k. LP: Lauren Van Dyke (2-2) 6ip 6h 2r 0er 2bb 7k.

ANDOVER 3, LAWRENCE 0 at Andover High

Lawrence — Perez rf 3-0-0, McGrath c 3-0-0, Montanez 2b 2-0-0, Arraji cf 3-0-1, Peralta 3b 3-0-0, Guzman p 3-0-0, Gonzales ss 3-0-0, Shaded 1b 2-0-0, Marquez lf 1-0-0, Gomez ph 1-0-0. Totals: 24-0-1.

Andover — Taylor Traub 2b 3-0-1, Lisa Sawin cf 3-0-0, Courtney Famiglietti c 3-1-1, Kaitlin Dargan 3b 3-1-1, Kerri Axelrod lf 2-0-0, Lisa Tisbert ss 2-1-1, Michelle Langone rf 1-0-1, Abby Dennehy ph 1-0-0, Madelyn Capano 1b 2-0-1, Michelle Carpentier p 2-0-0. Totals: 22-3-6.

Lawrence	000	000	0	—	0
Andover	200	100	x	—	3

RBI: A. Dargan 2. HR: Dargan (1). WP: Michelle Carpentier (4-0) 7ip 1h 0r 0er 2bb 7k. LP: Adrienne Guzman 6ip 6h 3r 1er 3bb 3k.

AHS ROUNDUP

of four high school games at LeLachur Park in Lowell.

LeLachur is the new (two years old) \$11 million ball park constructed on UMass Lowell property for the Red Sox Class A minor league team — the Lowell Spinners.

Andover 18 Dracut 2

Kevin Shepard couldn't have asked for a nicer gift in his varsity pitching debut.

The sophomore lefthander toed the rubber with a 9-0 lead before throwing his first pitch, and cruised through six pressure-free innings on the way to the victory.

Shepard scattered eight hits, struck out five and walked three before giving way to sophomore lefty Jeff Volinski who retired the Middies 1-2-3 in the seventh (one strikeout).

Kevin Barry powered an 18-hit AHS assault with 4-for-5, including a double and his first homer, and he also collected five RBI.

Barry's three-run homer to left field keyed the Golden Warriors' nine-run top of the first. Other big strokes were an RBI triple by Mark Rocca, RBI single by Christian Sempere, and run-scoring double by Rick Johnson who had two hits in the inning.

A four-run second, which made it 13-1, featured a single by Shepard, RBI single by Barry, two-run triple to center by Sempere and RBI single by Johnson.

In the AHS fourth Josh Topp and Rocca singled, Topp scored on a balk

and Charlie Daher ripped a run-scoring double.

The locals added two more runs in the fifth when Barry doubled to left, Nick Branzetti singled, Sempere laced an RBI single and Branzetti crossed on Johnson's fielder's choice.

The final run came in the sixth as Hanigan doubled to left and Shepard's fly ball was misplayed.

Johnson, Rocca and Sempere finished with three hits each, while Sempere had four RBI, Johnson three and Rocca three.

Barry and Hanigan scored three runs each while Johnson, Rocca, Sempere and Shepard all crossed twice.

Sempere was a defensive standout at second base with three putouts and four assists, turning a pair of double plays started by third baseman Rocca and shortstop Johnson.

Billerica 8 Andover 4

The Indians (8-2) broke a 1-1 tie with three runs in the top of the fourth, and added four more in the sixth on the way to the upset win at Andover High.

"It was a wake-up call," said coach Maglio. "Better that it happened now. I'm not worried. We'll be all right."

"We hit the ball hard. We had 11 fly-ball outs and most of them were hit a long way. We have a lot of room in our outfield and Billerica played us very deep. A few of those balls would have been homers in most high school parks."

BMHS righthander Sean Nicker-

son improved to 4-0 with a complete-game eight-hitter. He yielded only two earned runs, fanned one and walked two.

Jason Daley (1-2), the first of three AHS hurlers, took the loss.

Billerica laced 12 hits, including a double and triple, but only four of the Indians' runs were earned.

Chris Doneski's RBI single gave BMHS a 1-0 first-inning lead.

Andover tied it in the third when Rick Johnson doubled, took third on a passed ball and scored on another passed ball.

Billerica loaded the bases with two out in the fourth, and Paul Cuoco cleared them with an opposite-field triple to make it 4-1.

The Golden Warriors got one run back in the fifth on back-to-back two-out doubles by Johnson and Danny Hughes (RBI).

Keith Dodge's two-out, two-run double highlighted the top of the sixth when the visitors increased their lead to 8-2.

In the AHS sixth Ryan Hanigan slapped a one-out single, Kevin Shepard laced an RBI double to left, Rich Sheldon walked, and Shepard scored the final run on Nick Branzetti's infield out.

Sheldon blanked Billerica in the seventh, but the locals went down 1-2-3 in the bottom half on three long fly-outs to center field.

Leadoff batter Johnson led the eight-hit Andover attack with two doubles and a single, while Hanigan contributed a pair of safeties.

Doneski went 3-for-3 and collected two RBI for Billerica, while Erik Thomas, Mike Raueo and Rob Parker added two safeties each.

Methuen 10 Andover 7

The Golden Warriors, with ace Mark Rocca (4-0) starting on the hill, took a 3-0 lead after three innings.

The visiting Rangers (3-6) bounced back with four runs in the top of the fourth, and broke a 4-4 tie with three runs in the seventh.

Andover battled back impressively, scoring three runs in the bottom of the seventh to force extra innings, but Methuen countered with three more in the top of the eighth for the stunning win.

Sean Lawton sparked the locals' offense with a pair of hits and three RBI, while Rick Johnson laced two safeties and scored two runs.

Danny Hughes and Rocca each had a hit and both scored twice, while Ryan Hanigan delivered an RBI safety.

Tim Koerner ripped a pair of doubles for upstart Methuen, the second two-bagger in the eighth, and finished with three hits, two RBI and two runs scored.

Koerner also notched the pitching victory in relief, working a scoreless eighth inning.

Eric Provencal (three hits) and Cliff Towne smacked run-scoring hits in the eighth, and Towne scored three runs.

BOYS TRACK

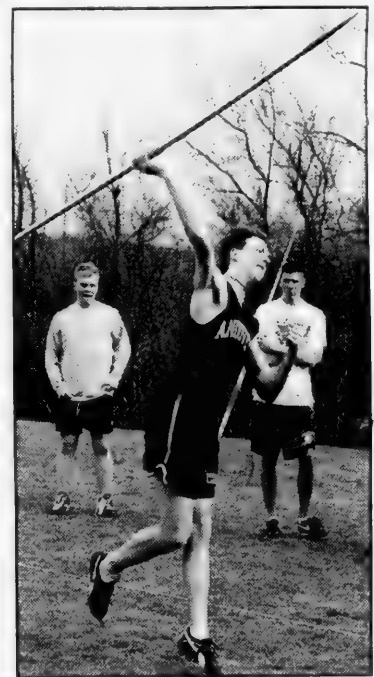
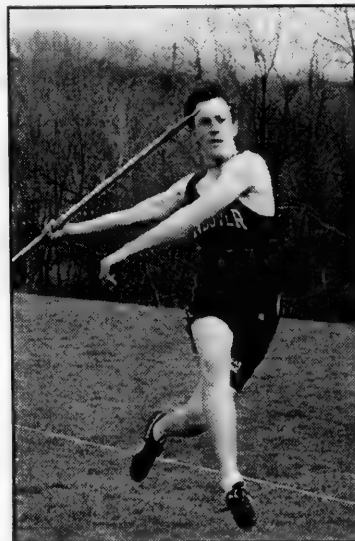
Junior Chuck Murnane won three events for the second straight meet, sparking the AHS boys to an unexpected 87-58 Merrimack Valley Conference Division 1 upset victory over visiting Chelmsford at the Lovely

Photo by Janice Coppolino

Charles Murnane in the triple jump at the Haverhill Invitational.

Photos by Lisa Adelsberger

Kevin Jordan lets it fly — 120 feet, 9 inches.



oval.

Phillips Academy had too much depth for the host Golden Warriors, who fell to 2-3 following the 91-52 non-league dual-meet loss three days later.

Schedule

The Golden Warriors had a tough assignment yesterday against undefeated MVC Division 1 leader Central Catholic (4-0), and Saturday the locals host the 39th annual Andover Boosters Invitational at the Lovely oval (10 a.m.).

Andover 87 Chelmsford 58

Murnane chalked up his individual triumphs in the high jump, equaling his career best by clearing 6'2," the triple jump with a 38'7" leap and the 110-meter high hurdles (15.9).

Andover placed first in 11 of the 17 events, and had another multiple winner in senior Long Dang who was tops in the pole vault (11'0") and 300-meter intermediate hurdles (44.0).

Other individual victors were junior Adam Spiller (discus, 119'10"), junior Jeremy Spiegel (100 meters, 11.4), senior Capt. Andy Pelletier (200 meters, 24.1) and junior Capt. Matt Spitzer (400 meters, 53.2).

The Golden Warriors also won

both relays.

The 4x100 sprint crew included senior Ken Wong, senior Greg Roy, Pelletier and Spiegel (46.3), while the 4x400 quartet consisted of sophomore Alex Champion, junior Terrance Fitzsimmons, junior Greg Stamm and senior Jehsen Gomez (3:50.5).

Spiegel added a second in the long jump (19'3"), while other runners-up for the locals were senior shot putter and Capt. Jim Delaney (42'0"), junior Shahriar Ghandchi (javelin, 144'8"), Roy (triple jump, 38'2"), miler Fitzsimmons (4:50.3), sophomore Jon Ofria (400 meters, 54.4) and two-miler Stamm (10:25.5).

Completing the scorers in third were freshman Ross Inman (discus, 108'6"), junior Dave Cordima (javelin, 142'4"), long jumper Justin Roy (19'3"), junior Brian DeAngelo to complete a sweep of the triple jump (38'1"), senior high jumper Nick Kline (6'0"), Dang in the 110 hurdles (16.5), Gomez in the mile (4:53.8), and Champion in the 300 hurdles (46.2).

Phillips Academy 91 Andover 52

The Golden Warriors managed only five first-place finishes in the 17 events against undefeated Phillips (4-0).

The victors were Long Dang in the pole vault (11'0"), Chuck Murnane in the 110-meter high hurdles (15.9), 300-meter hurdler Kyle Miller (42.7), Terrance Fitzsimmons (800 meters, 2:06.1) and 2-miler Greg Stamm (10:27.2).

Dang also had a second in the 300-meter hurdles (42.8) and a third in the 110-meter hurdles (16.1) to complete a nine-point afternoon at the Lovely oval.

Placing second as well were Adam Spiller in the discus (110'9"), Ross Inman (javelin, 147'2"), Murnane in the high jump (personal-best 6'2"), Shahriar Ghandchi (100 meters, 11.8), Andy Pelletier (200 meters, 23.9) and Matt Spitzer (400 meters, 53.0).

Contributing third places for AHS were pole vaulter Mike Morrissey (10'0"), shot putter Jim Delaney (40'11"), Dave Reinan (discus, 108'4"), Dave Cordima (javelin, 146'11") and miler Jehnsen.

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BASEBALL

ANDOVER 18, DRACUT 2 at Dracut High

Andover — Rick Johnson ss 5-2-3, Danny Hughes lf 2-0-0, Josh Topp lf 3-1-1, Mark Rocca 3b 4-2-3, Mike Giles 3b 2-0-0, Sean Lawton dh 2-1-0, Charlie Daher dh 2-0-1, Frank Fitzpatrick dh 1-0-0, Ryan Hanigan c 4-3-1, Jason Daley ph 1-0-0, Kevin Shepard p 5-2-1, Kevin Barry cf 5-3-4, Christian Sempere 2b 4-2-3, Nick Branzetti 1b 1-1-0, Rich Sheldon 1b 1-1-1, Jeff Volinski rf 1-0-0, Andy Bellistri 2b 1-0-0. **Totals:** 44-18-18.

Dracut — Derek Masse p cf 4-0-2, Dan Frederick ss 4-1-2, Bob Johansen 3b p 3-0-0, Mark Robinson 2b 2-0-0, Andy Wasylak dh rf 2-0-0, Joe Ducharme cf lf 3-0-3, Joe Bernier c 3-0-0, Dave Tousignant rf 1b 3-0-0, Dave Zukowski lf 3-1-1, Dan Rourke 1b 0-0-0, Kevin Neilson p 0-0-0. **Totals:** 27-2-8.

Andover 940 221 0 — 18

Dracut 100 010 0 — 2

RBI: A, Barry 5, Sempere 4, Johnson 3, Rocca 3, Daher 1; D, Frederick 1. **2B:** Barry, Johnson, Daher, Hanigan, Frederick, Zukowski. **3B:** Rocca, Sempere. **HR:** Barry (1). **DP:** Andover 2 (Rocca-Sempere-Branzetti; Johnson-Sempere-Sheldon). **WP:** Kevin Shepard (1-0) 6ip 8r 2r 2er 3bb 5k. **Relief:** Jeff Volinski 1ip 0h 0r 0er 0bb 1k. **LP:** Derek Masse (2-1).

BILLERICA 8, ANDOVER 4 at Andover High

Billerica — Rob Parker cf 2-2-2, Erik Thomas ss 4-1-2, Keith Dodge rf 4-1-1, Chris Doneski 3b 3-0-3, Mike Raueo c 4-0-2, Chris Santuosso lf 4-1-0, Ken McBride 1b 4-1-1, Rich McKenna dh 3-2-0, Mike Rahn 2b 1-0-0, Paul Cuoco 2b 3-0-1, Sean Nickerson p 0-0-0. **Totals:** 32-8-12.

Andover — Rick Johnson ss 4-2-3, Danny Hughes lf 3-0-1, Kevin Barry pr 0-0-0, Mark Rocca 3b 4-0-0, Sean Lawton dh 3-0-0, Ryan Hanigan c 3-1-2, Kevin Shepard cf 3-1-1, Jason Daley p 1-0-0, Mike Giles p 1-0-0, Rich Sheldon p 0-0-0, Nick Branzetti 1b 3-0-0, Christian Sempere 2b 3-0-0, Jeff Volinski rf 0-0-0. **Totals:** 28-4-7.

Billerica 100 304 0 — 8

Andover 001 012 0 — 4

RBI: B, Cuoco 3, Dodge 2, Doneski 2, Thomas 1; A, Hughes 1, Shepard 1, Branzetti 1. **2B:** Johnson 2, Hughes, Shepard, Dodge. **3B:** Cuoco. **WP:** Sean Nickerson (4-0) 7ip 7h 4r 2er 2bb 1k. **LP:** Jason Daley (1-2) 3.2ip 7h 4r 4er 2bb 3k. **Relief:** Mike Giles 2.0ip 3h 4r 0er 1bb 3k; Rich Sheldon 1.1ip 2h 0r 0er 0bb 0k.

METHUEN 10, ANDOVER 7 (8 innings) at Andover

Methuen — DeDuca ss 4-0-1, Koerner 2b p 5-2-3, Towne rf 3-3-1, Grasso p cf 4-2-1, Provencal dh 4-1-3, LaSande pr 0-0-0, Dunlevy cf 3-1-0, Hamlett ph 1-0-1, Leonardo 3b 1-0-0, Marquis 1b 4-0-1, Forbes 3b rf 2b 5-0-0, Ripley c 4-1-1, Ioreson lf 0-0-0. **Totals:** 38-10-12.

Andover — Rick Johnson ss 5-2-2, Danny Hughes lf 4-2-1, Jeff Volinski pr 0-0-0, Mark Rocca p rf 3-2-1, Sean Lawton 3b 3-1-2, Ryan Hanigan c 3-0-1, Kevin Shepard cf 2-0-0, Josh Topp ph 0-0-0, Charlie Daher dh p 4-0-0, Kevin Barry rf 2-0-0, Mike Giles p 1-0-0, Rich Sheldon 2b 1b p 0-0-0, Christian Sempere 2b 4-0-0, Nick Branzetti 1b 0-0-0. **Totals:** 31-7-7.

Methuen 000 400 33 — 10

Andover 102 100 30 — 7

RBI: M, Koerner 2, Provencal 2, Marquis 2, Towne 1, Grasso 1, Hamlett 1; A, Lawton 3, Hanigan 1, Topp 1. **WP:** Tim Koerner. **LP:** Charlie Daher.

AHS ROUNDUP

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Gomez (4:56.4).

Double winners for the Big Blue were Connell Cloyd in the long jump (22'1") and high jump (6'2"), and speedster Lewis Brown in the 100 meters (11.1) and 200 meters (22.8).

Andover resident Emerson Sykes ran a leg on both victorious relay teams for PA, while Andover's Geoff O'Donoghue was second in the 800 meters (2:11.5).

Phillips won both relays and swept the long jump and triple jump to help key the win.

GIRLS TRACK

The Lady Warriors improved to 4-1 overall with an 84 1/2 to 60 1/2 triumph over Chelmsford and a 89 1/2 to 48 1/2 cruise past Phillips Academy.

The win over Chelmsford went a long way towards securing another Merrimack Valley Conference Division 1 championship.

The non-league triumph over PA was led by super sophomore Sheena Patel with a pair of victories in the long jump and 100-meter hurdles.

Schedule

Andover faced Central Catholic in an MVC Division 1 dual meet yesterday, and Saturday the locals host the 39th annual Andover Boosters Invitational at the Lovely Field oval (10 a.m.).

Andover 84 1/2

Chelmsford 60 1/2

Bouncing back from the tough crossover loss to Tewksbury, the Lady Warriors remained undefeated in MVC Division 1 as versatile sophomore Sheena Patel sparked the triumph by placing first in three events.

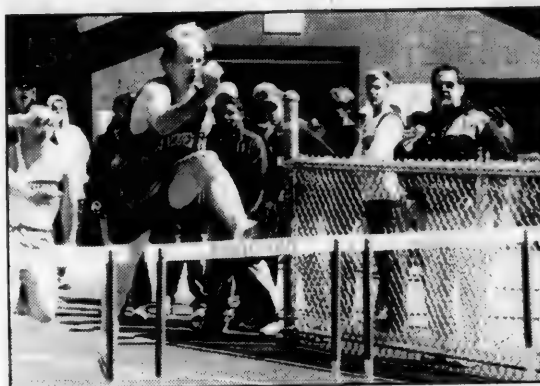
Triple winner Patel was tops in the long jump (15'8"), 100-meter high hurdles (16.6) and 300-meter intermediate hurdles (49.0).

The Lady Warriors placed first in 10 of the 17 events, with other individual wins by shot putter Janice Coppolino (32'8"), sophomore high jumper Emily Pfeil (4'10"), junior triple jumper Siobhan Landry (33'6"), sophomore Ogechi Ibe (discus, 103'9"), Capt. Chidinma Ibe (100 meters, 13.6) and Capt. Pam Muller in the two-mile (12:33).

The Andover 4x100 sprint relay of Chidinma Ibe, Jenny Lambert, Lindsay Ravens and Stephanie Pierce also won (54.8).

The locals had second-place finishes from pole vaulter Kathleen McCumber (8'0"), Coppolino (discus, 90'7"), junior high jumper Liz Connors (4'10"), sophomore 100-meter hurdler Pierce (17.1), junior sprinter Jenny Hsu (100 meters, 13.7), senior miler and Capt. Kristen Munson (5:39.8), Julie Marvin (100 meters), junior speedster Ravens (200 meters, 28.4) and freshman Holly Boucher (800 meters, 2:29.5).

Completing the scoring with thirds for AHS were sophomore long



Charles Murnane in the 110-meter hurdles (left) and Kyle Miller in the 300-meter hurdles

Photos by Janice Coppolino

at the Haverhill Invitational.

Top performers for Chelmsford (3-2) were freshman Danielle Incropera, Caitlin Klick and Andrea Li.

Incropera won the 200-meter (27.7) and 400-meter (62.8) dashes and finished second in the long jump.

Klick placed first in the mile (5:29.8), tied for third in the high jump and anchored the victorious 4x400 relay (4:23.9).

Li continued her mastery of the pole vault by clearing the bar at 11 feet.

Andover 89 1/2

Phillips Academy 48 1/2

Sheena Patel placed first in the

long jump (14'9") and 100-meter hurdles (15.9) to spark the triumph.

Andover recorded sweeps in the pole vault, high jump, 100-meter hurdles and 300-meter hurdles, while also placing 1-2 in the long and triple jumps.

Other individual winners for the Lady Warriors included pole vaulter Kathleen McCumber (8'6"), triple jumper Jenny Hsu (32'1"), high jumper Liz Connors (5'2"), 300-meter hurdler Shannon Callahan-Higgins (50.7) and Holly Boucher (800 meters, 2:27.8).

AHS also won the 4x100 meter sprint relay with Chidinma Ibe, Jenny Lambert, Lindsay Ravens and Hsu clocking a 53.6.

Placing second for the winners in the field events were pole vaulter Anne Barmettler (7'6"), shot putter Janice Coppolino (32'5"), Ogechi Ibe with a hefty 106'6" toss in the discus, Robin Young (javelin, 77'11"), long jumper Jen Annese (14'3"), triple

jumper Siobhan Landry (32'0") and high jumper Emily Pfeil (5'0").

On the track, runners-up were 100-meter hurdler Stephanie Pierce (16.8), 300-meter hurdler Megan Munroe (52.2), Chidinma Ibe (100 meters, 13.3), Ravens (200 meters, 28.4), miler Kristen Munson (5:39.2) and two-miler Pam Muller (12:37.3).

Completing the scorers in third were pole vaulter Emily Wooten (7'0"), shot putter Ogechi Ibe (32'2"), Coppolino in the discus (84'7"), Kara Ahern (javelin, 71'3"), high jumper Lisa Verreault (4'10"), Munroe in the 100 hurdles (16.9), Caitlyn Murphy in the 300 hurdles (52.4), Hsu (100 meters, 13.5), Jen Kane (200 meters, 29.4), Julie Marvin (400 meters, 63.7) and Caitlin Murray (800 meters, 2:34.0).

For PA, double winners were Julia O'Hern in the discus (127'5") and shot put (school-record 37'6") and sprinter Momo Akade in the 100

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GIRLS TRACK

ANDOVER 84 1/2, CHELMSFORD 60 1/2
at Lovely Field

LONG JUMP: 1. Sheena Patel (A) 15'8"; 2. Danielle Incropera (C); 3. Jen Annese (A) 14'9."

TRIPLE JUMP: 1. Siobhan Landry (A) 33'6"; 2. Kerry Pajer (C); 3. Jenny Hsu (A) 32'6."

HIGH JUMP: 1. Emily Pfeil (A) 4'10"; 2. Liz Connors (A) 4'10"; 3. (tie) Lisa Verreault (A) and Caitlin Klick (C) 4'8."

POLE VAULT: 1. Andrea Li (C) 11'0"; 2. Kathleen McCumber (A) 8'0"; 3. Jennifer Li (C).

SHOT PUT: 1. Janice Coppolino (A) 32'8"; 2. Ashley Hoover (C); 3. Ogechi Ibe (A) 30'6."

DISCUS: 1. Olbe (A) 103'9"; 2. Coppolino (A) 90'7"; 3. Andrea Steiling (C).
JAVELIN: 1. Jessica Curtis (C) 80'1"; 2. Michelle Dixon (C); 3. Elizabeth Mara (C).

100-METER HURDLES: 1. Patel (A) 16.6; 2. Stephanie Pierce (A) 17.1; 3. Megan Munroe (A) 17.2

300-METER HURDLES: 1. Patel (A) 49.0; 2. Erin Ivers (C); 3. Pajer (C).

100 METERS: 1. Chidinma Ibe (A) 13.6; 2. Hsu (A) 13.7; 3. Lindsay Hadley (C).

200 METERS: 1. Incropera (C) 27.7; 2. Lindsay Ravens (A) 28.4; 3. Jen Kane (A) 29.2

4x100 RELAY: 1. Andover (Clbe, Jenny Lambert, Ravens & Pierce), 54.8

400 METERS: 1. Incropera (C) 62.8; 2. Julie Marvin (A); 3. Jamie Viglione (C).

800 METERS: 1. Lora Mead (C) 2:24.1; 2. Holly Boucher (A) 2:29.5; 3. Sarah Fleming (C).

MILE: 1. Klick (C) 5:29.8; 2. Kristen Munson (A) 5:39.8; 3. Pfeil (A) 5:49.8

2-MILE: 1. Pam Muller (A) 12:33.2; 2. Erica Stone (C); 3. Dorothy Stowe (A) 13:03.5

4x400 RELAY: 1. Chelmsford (Viglione, Ivers, Mead & Klick), 4:23.9.

ANDOVER 89 1/2, PHILLIPS ACADEMY 48 1/2
at Lovely Field

LONG JUMP: 1. Sheena Patel (A) 14'9"; 2. Jen Annese (A) 14'3"; 3. Desiree Simmonds (PA) 13'11"

TRIPLE JUMP: 1. Jenny Hsu (A) 32'1"; 2. Siobhan Landry (A) 32'0"; 3. Jenny McJunkin (PA) 31'6"

HIGH JUMP: 1. Liz Connors (A) 5'2"; 2. Emily Pfeil (A) 5'0"; 3. (tie) Lisa Verreault (A) and McJunkin (PA) 4'10"

POLE VAULT: 1. Kathleen McCumber (A) 8'6"; 2. Anne Barmettler (A) 7'6"; 3. Emily Wooten (A) 7'0"

SHOT PUT: 1. Julia O'Hern (PA) 37'6" (school record); 2. Janice Coppolino (A) 32'5"; 3. Ogechi Ibe (A) 32'2"

DISCUS: 1. O'Hern (PA) 127'6"; 2. Olbe (A) 106'6"; 3. Coppolino (A) 84'7"

JAVELIN: 1. Sydney Hartsock (PA) 80'4"; 2. Robin Young (A) 77'11"; 3. Kara Ahern (A) 71'3"

100-METER HURDLES: 1. Patel (A) 15.9; 2. Stephanie Pierce (A) 16.8; 3. Megan Munroe (A) 16.9

300-METER HURDLES: 1. Shannon Callahan-Higgins (A) 50.7; 2. Munroe (A) 52.2; 3. Caitlin Murphy (A) 52.4

100 METERS: 1. Momo Akade (PA) 12.5; 2. Chidinma Ibe (A) 13.3; 3. Hsu (A) 13.5

200 METERS: 1. Akade (PA) 27.0; 2. Lindsay Ravens (A) 28.4; 3. Jen Kane (A) 29.4

400 METERS: 1. Tenley Eakin (PA) 61.5; 2. Melissa Donais (PA) 62.0; 3. Julie Marvin (A) 63.7

4x100 RELAY: 1. Andover (Clbe, Jenny Lambert, Ravens & Hsu), 53.6

800 METERS: 1. Holly Boucher (A) 2:27.8; 2. Reed Curry (PA) 2:33.5; 3. Caitlin Murray (A) 2:34.2

MILE: 1. Caitlin Krause (PA) 5:28.8; 2. Kristen Munson (A) 5:39; 3. Beibhinn O'Donahue (PA) 5:42.1

2-MILE: 1. Hilary Jay (PA) 12:27.2; 2. Pam Muller (A) 12:37.1; 3. Kate Mason (PA), 12:54.7

4x400 RELAY: 1. Phillips Academy (O'Donaghue, Eakin, Donais & Krause), 4:21.2

Record: Phillips Academy 3-2.

TEWKSBURY 73 1/2, ANDOVER 71 1/2
at Lovely Field

LONG JUMP: 1. Sheena Patel (A) 15'5"; 2. Jenny Hsu (A); 3. Laura Petros (T).

TRIPLE JUMP: 1. Siobhan Landry (A) 33'10"; 2. Hsu (A); 3. Rachael O'Brien (T).

HIGH JUMP: 1. Liz Connors (A) 5-0; 2. Emily Pfeil (A); 3. Kerry Jenkins (T).

POLE VAULT: 1. Kathleen McCumber (A) 8'6"; 2. Molly Boyle (T); 3. Amie LeBoeuf (T).

SHOT PUT: 1. Janice Coppolino (A) 32'11"; 2. Kristen Cronin (T); 3. Robin Young (A).

DISCUS: 1. Coppolino (A) 99'10"; 2. Lindsay Maxwell (T); 3. Cronin (T).

JAVELIN: 1. Maxwell (T) 100'0"; 2. Michelle DeFelice (T); 3. Alison Kinnon (T).

100-METER HURDLES: 1. Patel (A) 16.4; 2. Melinda Monaco (T); Tasha Clark (T).

300-METER HURDLES: 1. O'Brien (T) 47.8; 2. Patel (A); 3. Monaco (T).

100 METERS: 1. Laura Petros (T) 13.2; 2. Jenna Vannah (T); 3. Hsu (A).

200 METERS: 1. Petros (T) 25.8; 2. Lindsay Ravens (A); Carolyn Hannus (T).

4x100 RELAY: 1. Tewksbury (Hannus, Vannah, Boyle & Clark), 53.9

400 METERS: 1. Andrea Toland (T) 61.6; 2. Allison Corey (A); 3. Julie Marvin (JA).

800 METERS: 1. Holly Boucher (A) 2:28.0; 2. Kerri Aherne (T); 3. Lindsay Durkin (A).

MILE: 1. Kristen Munson (A) 5:40.2; 2. Pfeil (A); 3. Nicole Morandi (T).

2-MILE: 1. Aherne (T) 12:04; 2. Morandi (T); 3. Pam Muller (A).

4x400 RELAY: 1. Tewksbury (Toland, Jenkins, O'Brien, Heather Fabiano), 4:16.6

BOYS TRACK

PHILLIPS ACADEMY 91, ANDOVER 52
at Lovely Field

LONG JUMP: 1. Connell Cloyd (PA) 22'1"; 2. Bryan Saunders (PA) 21'9"; 3. Kyle Preman (PA) 20'0"

TRIPLE JUMP: 1. Saunders (PA) 42'1"; 2. J.B. Jones (PA) 41'5"; 3. Preman (PA) 39'8"

HIGH JUMP: 1. Cloyd (PA) 6'2"; 2. Chuck Murnane (A) 6'2"; 3. Jones (PA) 5'10"

POLE VAULT: 1. Long Dang (A) 11'0"; 2. Eric Youngbacker (PA) 10'6"; 3. Mike Morrissey (A) 10'0"

SHOT PUT: 1. Jonathan Harrington (PA) 42'7"; 2. David MacMillan (PA) 41'5"; 3. Jim Delaney (A) 40'11"

DISCUS: 1. MacMillan (PA) 116'1"; 2. Adam Spiller (A) 110'9"; 3. Dave Reinen (A) 108'4"

JAVELIN: 1. Trum Haskell (PA) 150'11"; 2. Ross Inman (A) 147'0"; 3. Dave Cordima (A) 146'11"

110-METER HURDLES: 1. Murnane (A) 15.9; 2. Kam Lasater (PA) 15.91; 3. Dang (A) 16.1

300-METER HURDLES: 1. Kyle Miller (A) 42.7; 2. Dang (A) 42.8; 3. John Busby (PA) 43.0

100 METERS: 1. Lewis Brown (PA) 11.1; 2. Shariar Ghandchi (A) 11.8; 3. Justin Vocola (PA) 11.9

200 METERS: 1. Brown (PA) 22.8; 2. Andy Pelletier (A) 23.9; 3. Vocola (PA) 24.3

400 METERS: 1. Colin Dinneen (PA) 52.4; 2. Matt Spitzer (A) 53.0; 3. Justin Blanch (PA) 53.9

4x100 RELAY: 1. Phillips Academy (Emerson Sykes, Saunderson, Alex Kehlenbeck & Dave Thompson), 45.7

800 METERS: 1. Terrance Fitzsimmons (A) 2:06.1; 2. Geoff O'Donoghue (PA) 2:11.5; 3. Wes Fuhrman (PA) 2:13.1

MILE: 1. Fuhrman (PA) 4:46.5; 2. Eli Lazarus (PA) 4:50.8; 3. Jehnson Gomez (A) 4:56.4

2-MILE: 1. Greg Stamm (A) 10:27.2; 2. Ben Phillips (PA) 10:42.3; 3. Adam Shoene (PA) 10:50.1

4x400 RELAY: 1. Phillips Academy (Sykes, Sean Scott, Kehlenbeck & Dinneen), 3:39.2

Records: Phillips Academy 4-0, Andover 2-3.

TEWKSBURY 88, ANDOVER 57
at Lovely Field

LONG JUMP: 1. Greg Roy (A) 19'2"; 2. Larry Reed (T); 3. Jeremy Spiegel (A).

TRIPLE JUMP: 1. Chuck Murnane (A) 39'10"; 2. Nick Malley (T); 3. Roy (A).

HIGH JUMP: 1. Murnane (A) 6'0"; 2. Nick Kline (A); 3. Ryan Sullivan (T).

POLE VAULT: 1. Jay Stamp (T) 10'6"; 2. Jay Wagstaff (T); 3. Alan Balcom (T).

SHOT PUT: 1. Bob Pucko (TO) 47'9"; 2. Jim Delaney (A); 3. Adam Spiller (A).

DISCUS: 1. Spiller (A) 118'4"; 2. Pucko (T); 3. Dave Reiner (A).

JAVELIN: 1. Erik Olsen (T) 127'11"; 2. Shariar Ghandchi (A); 3. Ross Inman (A).

110-METER HURDLES: 1. Murnane (A) 16.1; 2. Stamp (T); 3. Kyle Miller (A).

300-METER HURDLES: 1. Jon Shiner (T) 42.9; 2. Malley (T); 3. Brian Milner (T).

100 METERS: 1. Bobby Capers (T) 11.4; 2. Spiegel (A); 3. Wagstaff (T).

200 METERS: 1. Erik Hamilton (T) 22.9; 2. Andy Pelletier (A); 3. Wagstaff (T).

4x100 METERS: 1. Tewksbury (Capers, Malley, John Martin & Hamilton), 45.6

400 METERS: 1. Brad Columbus (T) 52.6; 2. Matt Spitzer (A); 3. Chad Morgau (A).

800 METERS: 1. Reed (T) 2:01.1; 2. Jack Conway (T); 3. Sean Higgins (A).

MILE: 1. Stephen Bagley (T) 4:49.3; 2. Terrance Fitzsimmons (A); 3. Andy MacKenzie (T).

2-MILE: 1. Reed (T) 10:09.3; 2. Greg Stamm (A); 3. Dave Clark (T).

4x400 RELAY: 1. Tewksbury (Bagley, Clark, Shiner & Columbus), 3:39.7



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Almost time for Clown Town — The Andona Society will hold its annual Clown Town next Friday, May 14, from 6 to 10 p.m. (rides and pizza) and Saturday, May 15, from 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. in the Park at the corner of Bartlet and Chestnut streets. Rain or shine, the show will go on. As usual, Clown Town will offer carnival rides, pony rides, games with prizes, face-painting, balloons, and the ever-popular Candyland. A new addition to Clown Town will be a jewelry table, filled with glittering treasures for sale. The white elephant table will again offer used toys, games, books, housewares and other items at bargain prices. Many choices await the hungry. Hamburgers, hot dogs, pizza, veggie Syrian pockets, cold drinks and slush will be sold throughout the day. All proceeds will benefit Andover's youth in a variety of civic, athletic and cultural programs and activities. Don't miss next week's *Townsmen* with complete details on Clown Town.

SOCIAL NOTEBOOK

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club as one of five finalists in a pool of 45 nominees. The winner will receive a \$1,000 donation to their organization and an opportunity to be represented at the national level. The Friends' mission is to provide capital support for the Andover Senior Center.

16th annual Herb Festival features a variety of activities

The Herb Society of Andover will hold the 16th annual Herb Festival Saturday, May 15, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Rea Farm, Rea Street, North Andover. The fair will feature herb plants, perennials, baked goods, craftspeople, a medicinal plant walk and demonstration of aroma therapy, wheat-weaving, beekeeping and composting. Refreshments will be avail-

able.

Directions: Follow signs from Route 114 in North Andover; left onto Mill Road, then left onto Chestnut Street and right on Rea Street. For information, call 689-2914.

Weekly bicycle rides starting soon

Weekly recreational bicycle rides for all levels of riders will begin Tuesday, May 18, at 5:45 p.m. from Andover Cycle/The Cycle Stop, 26 Chestnut St. Riders under 15 years of age must be accompanied by an adult. Helmets are required and bicycles should be in good working order for safety purposes.

Routes and distances will be chosen by the riders. High-end rides (15-20 mph) will be available. Riders and ride leader are needed.

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ROUNDUP

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meters (12.5) and 200 meters (27.0).

BOYS TENNIS

The Andover netmen took a major step

towards another Merrimack Valley Conference title with a 4-1 triumph over previously-undefeated Central Catholic in their first-place showdown battle at the Merrimack College courts.

The Golden Warriors also fell from the unbeaten ranks with a 3-1 rain-shortened loss to undefeated St. John's Prep in a non-league match in Danvers.

Schedule

The Golden Warriors played at Methuen

yesterday, host Haverhill this afternoon (3:30 p.m.) and host Billerica next Wednesday at the AHS courts (3:30).

The Andover boys play five of their last six regular season matches at home.

Andover 4

Central Catholic 1

The locals took sole possession of first place in the conference by handing Central its first loss of the season.

The individual focus was on first singles, where two juniors who had never lost a regular-season high school match met head-to-head.

When the dust settled Central's Justin Slattery, an Andover resident, had outlasted Evan Sideman in a three-setter 6-1, 4-6, 6-3.

The locals won the other four matches in straight sets.

Gabe Adams played second singles for the first time and defeated Dan D'Agata 6-4, 6-1, and Rich Roda battled past stubborn Dave Hall 6-4, 6-3 at third singles.

Pete Hughes and Andy Chiaraluce posted a 6-2, 6-1 victory over the CCHS tandem of Ben Soe and Andy Lawlor at first doubles, while Jordan Klein and Steve Hibino handled second doubles' opponents Darren Giorgio and Paul Tabajonda 6-2, 6-2.

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BUSINESS PROFILES



From the left, Cee Kelley, wig and hair care specialist and owner Cindy McKallagat with some of the women's products available at Letourneau's Pharmacy and home health care

Letourneau's Pharmacy

May is women's month and in recognition of women, Letourneau's Pharmacy is promoting merchandise and information concerning women's issues.

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AHS ROUNDUP

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Andover 5 Lowell 0

Evan Sideman launched the romp with a 6-2, 6-3 conquest of Brent Smith at first singles.

Rich Roda rolled to a 6-0, 6-1 victory over Lowell hockey standout Dan Tobin at second singles, and sophomore James Kim completed the singles sweep with a 6-3, 6-2 decision over Ben Faust.

AHS second doubles Jordan Klein and Steve Hibino dropped only one game in a 6-0, 6-1 triumph against Corey Smith and Joe Sargent.

Pete Hughes and Andy Chiaraluce also remained undefeated at first doubles with a symmetrical 6-2, 6-2 cruise past Jimmy Quach and Andrew Downey of Lowell.

St. John's Prep 3 Andover 1

The Golden Warriors earned their point at second singles, where Gabe Adams posted a 6-0, 7-5 sweep of the Eagles' Jeff Miller.

AHS first doubles Pete Hughes and Andy Chiaraluce put up a strong fight before the SJP tandem of Taylor Monica and Tucker McGrath nailed down a 6-3, 7-5 triumph.

Spencer Bolin and Eric Conrad completed a sweep of doubles with a 6-2, 6-1 victory over Andover's Jordan

Klein and Steve Hibino.

At third singles, Paul Roberts handled the locals' Rich Roda 6-0, 6-2.

AHS junior Capt. Evan Sideman was winning his first singles match against Prep's Paul Colahan, 6-3, 3-2, when rain halted play.

"We went through one rain delay, started up again, and then stopped first singles when it started to rain a second time," explained Golden Warriors' coach Mike Wartman. "The team match had already been decided and we didn't want Evan or his opponent to get hurt on a slippery court."

This was Andover's strongest showing against traditional Division 1 North power SJP in several years.

GIRLS TENNIS

As expected, Andover's first-place Merrimack Valley Conference Division 1 showdown with likewise-undefeated Lowell turned into a 5-0 Lady Warriors' romp at the Shedd Park courts in Lowell.

The locals improved to 10-0 overall with subsequent 5-0 whitewashes of Notre Dame Academy and Tewksbury.

Schedule

The AHS juggernaut hosted Methuen yesterday, plays at Haverhill this afternoon (3:30 p.m.) and



Jill Oppenheim (left) and Amy Axelrod compete for AHS.



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hosts Central Catholic on Monday (3:30).

Andover 5 Lowell 0

AHS won everything in straight sets, including a 6-0, 6-0 romp by sophomore first doubles Michelle Leahy and Erin Zuena over the Red Raiders' Allison Maraganis and Eileen Cohn.

Andrea Wegner and junior Capt. Erica Tebbetts completed the sweep of doubles with a 6-2, 6-1 cruise past Kara Keefe and Ellen Romanowsky.

It was more of the same in singles, where junior Jill Oppenheim belted Nicole Rodger 6-2, 6-4, junior Amy Axelrod dismantled Meghan Rourke 6-2, 6-2 and freshman Ashley Heller stepped in at third singles for a 6-1, 6-1 blast past Jill Lang.

Andover 5 Tewksbury 0

The 10th consecutive 5-0 victory was achieved by a different Andover lineup.

In singles, Ashley Heller played No. 1 for the first time and blitzed Julie Cole of the Redmen 6-0, 6-0.

Senior Capt. Caitlin Burke cruised past Becky Osterman 6-0, 6-1 at second singles, and freshman Carolyn Purcell made her varsity debut at third singles with a 6-0, 6-0 blitz of Rachel Osterman.

In doubles, Andrea Wegner and Erica Tebbetts moved up to No. 1 and routed Lisa Marco and Joe Machado (Tewksbury does not have a boys team) 6-0, 6-2.

Junior Tricia Griffin and sophomore Ashley Hargadon moved into the second doubles slot and swept past Sarah Keskula and Christine Belmonte 6-4, 6-0.

Andover 5 Notre Dame Academy 0

The Lady Warriors completed the first half of the schedule by blanking the visiting Lancers, dropping only six games in singles and one in doubles.

Jill Oppenheim and Amy Axelrod rolled to identical 6-1, 6-1 victories over Alitia LaChance and Liz Marley at first and second singles, while Ashley Heller trimmed NDA's Liz Bullock 6-2, 6-0.

Michelle Leahy and Erin Zuena pounded Evan Collins and Bindu Sudhir 6-0, 6-1 at first singles, and completing the ninth straight sweep were Andrea Wegner and Erica Tebbetts with a 6-0, 6-0 whitewash of Stephanie Felix and Arlene Lyons at second doubles.

EARLIER MATCHES Andover 5 Lawrence 0

Amy Axelrod rolled to a 6-1, 6-0 triumph over Lancers' sophomore Phong Phan at first singles, while Jenna Bernstein cruised past Tania Gil 6-0, 6-1 and Ashley Heller stopped Leisa Brito 6-0, 6-0.

In doubles, the lineup was altered as Caitlin Burke and Jessica Bindman overpowered Melissa Manaya and My Hon 6-1, 6-1 while Carolyn Purcell and Beth Upton breezed to a 6-0, 6-0 triumph.

Andover 5 Chelmsford 0

Jill Oppenheim set the tone against the third-place Lions with an easy 6-2, 6-2 triumph over Stephanie Wu at first singles.

Amy Axelrod kept it rolling with a 6-1, 6-0 decision over Kristen Learson, while Ashley Heller remained undefeated with a 6-1, 6-0 decision against Jen Talbot.

In doubles, Michelle Leahy and Jenna Bernstein were 6-1, 6-1 conquerors of Kavita Shah and Melissa Shattuck.

Andrea Wegner and Erica Tebbetts capped the romp with a 6-0, 6-1 romp past Sopak Shah and Lisa Tereshko.

BOYS VOLLEYBALL

It was a rare rough week for the Andover High boys volleyball team, whose losing streak was extended to three matches with a 2-1 setback to Merrimack Valley Conference Division 2 leader Dracut and a 2-0 loss to Division 2 runner-up Lowell.

BOYS VOLLEYBALL

LOWELL 2, ANDOVER 0 at Riddick Field House, Lowell	
Andover	11
Lowell	15

Individual Leaders
Hitting: A, Ryan Slavin 9-for-12. Kills: A, Slavin 3. Serving: A, Slavin 8-for-8.
JV Score: Lowell 2, Andover 1.

DRACUT 2, ANDOVER 1 at Dunn Gymnasium	
Dracut	3
Andover	15

Individual Leaders
Hitting: A, Ben Mertes 15-for-17; Ryan Slavin 12-for-15; Dave Nichols 10-for-14; Kevin Hess 5-for-5; Chris Morrissey 5-for-5; Mike Johnson 4-for-5. Kills: A, Mertes 4, Nichols 4, Slavin 3, Morrissey 3, Hess 2, Johnson 1. D, Joe Nazzaro 7, Matt Roddy 6.
JV Score: Dracut 2, Andover 0.

The Golden Warriors rebounded with a 2-0 sweep of Chelmsford last night, leaving coach George Sullivan's squad at 8-5 overall and two wins shy of a Division 1 North Tournament berth.

Schedule

AHS plays at Haverhill tomorrow (3:30), and could clinch the tourney spot with a win next Monday at the Dunn Gym against Central Catholic.

Lowell 2 Andover 0

The host Red Raiders, beaten 2-0 by Andover on April 1, gained a split of the season series with a 15-11, 15-10 sweep at the Riddick Memorial Field House's Abraham Gym.

"Lowell plays very smart volleyball," said Sullivan. "They were banging the ball hard and tipping it well. They're extremely quick and they got down to dig everything."

"Our kids are accustomed to playing against taller opponents. Lowell is small, but they're athletic and excellent vertical leapers."

"We served better than we have in recent matches, but we didn't hit well and our passing was off," noted Sullivan. "We're having trouble putting all facets of the game together and the kids are frustrated."

AHS made only two bad serves and had just three serve-receive errors, but there were no service aces and only a handful of kills.

Junior hitter Ryan Slavin was 9-for-12 hitting, with three kills, and 8-for-8 serving.

Coach Dave Amundsen's Andover JV's (6-5) lost the prelim, 2-1, winning the first game before dropping the next two. Mike Hamilton, Adam Turbett and Josh Brooks played well for the locals.

Dracut 2 Andover 1

The visiting Middies completed a season series sweep of Andover, notching their 10th win of the season and clinching a berth in the MIAA Tournament.

"We played much better than we did the previous match against Lawrence (2-1 loss)," said coach Sullivan. "It was like 'old-time volleyball' with a lot of hard hitting. We looked especially sharp in the first game."

Andover threatened to blow first-year coach Leah Green's crew out of the Dunn Gym with a crisp 15-3 romp.

But Dracut, with top guns Joe Nazzaro, Matt Roddy and Andy Micozzi leading the way, settled down and won the next two games, 15-11 and 15-12.

"We had chances to win both the second and third games," said Sullivan. "But we came out flat at the start of the second and that hurt."

"We moved the ball around well — but had 10 bad serves, didn't serve hard and finished with only one ace. We've practiced every serving drill I know but we're still struggling with that part of the game," admitted Sullivan.

Senior middle hitter Ben Mertes finished the match 15-for-17 hitting, with four kills, while Ryan Slavin was 12-for-15 with three kills and senior middle hitter Dave Nichols 10-for-14 with four kills.

Junior setter Kevin Hess went 5-for-5 with two kills, and senior outside hitter Mike Johnson 4-for-5 with one kill.

"Chris Morrissey continues to improve," said Sullivan. "He did an excellent job blocking at the weakside hitter position."

Junior outside hitter Morrissey also went 5-for-5 hitting with three kills.

The AHS junior varsity dropped a 2-0 decision in the prelim, falling 15-10 and 15-9 despite a strong all-around effort from Alan McLean.

GIRLS TENNIS

ANDOVER 5, TEWKSBURY 0 at Andover High Singles

Ashley Heller (A) def. Julie Cole, 6-0, 6-0
Caitlin Burke (A) def. Becky Osterman, 6-0, 6-1
Carolyn Purcell (A) def. Rachel Osterman, 6-0, 6-0

Doubles

Andrea Wegner & Eric Tebbetts (A) def. Lisa Marco & Joe Machado, 6-0, 6-2
Tricia Griffin & Ashley Hargadon (A) def. Sarah Keskula & Christine Belmonte, 6-4, 6-0

Record: Andover 10-0.

ANDOVER 5, NOTRE DAME 0 at Andover High Singles

Jill Oppenheim (A) def. Alitia LaChance, 6-1, 6-1
Amy Axelrod (A) def. Liz Marley, 6-1, 6-1
Ashley Heller (A) def. Liz Bullock, 6-2, 6-0

Doubles

Michelle Leahy & Erin Zuena (A) def. Evan Collins & Bindu Sudhir, 6-0, 6-1
Andrea Wegner & Erica Tebbetts (A) def. Stephanie Felix & Arlene Lyons, 6-0, 6-0

ANDOVER 5, LOWELL 0 at Shedd Park, Lowell Singles

Jill Oppenheim (A) def. Nicole Rodger, 6-2, 6-4
Amy Axelrod (A) def. Meghan Rourke, 6-2, 6-2
Ashley Heller (A) def. Jill Lang, 6-1, 6-1

Doubles

Michelle Leahy & Erin Zuena (A) def. Allison Maraganis & Eileen Cohn, 6-0, 6-0
Andrea Wegner & Erica Tebbetts (A) def. Kara Keefe & Ellen Romanowsky, 6-2, 6-1
Record: Lowell 9-1.

ANDOVER 5, LAWRENCE 0 at Andover High Singles

Amy Axelrod (A) def. Phong Phan, 6-1, 6-0
Jenna Bernstein (A) def. Tania Gil, 6-0, 6-1
Ashley Heller (A) def. Leisa Brito, 6-0, 6-0

Doubles

Caitlin Burke & Jessica Bindman (A) def. Melissa Manaya & My Hon, 6-1, 6-1
Carolyn Purcell & Beth Upton (A) def. Giao Mac & Tien Phan, 6-0, 6-0

ANDOVER 5, CHELMSFORD 0 at Andover High Singles

Jill Oppenheim (A) def. Stephanie Wu, 6-2, 6-2
Amy Axelrod (A) def. Kirsten Learson, 6-1, 6-0
Ashley Heller (A) def. Jen Talbot, 6-1, 6-0

Doubles

Michelle Leahy & Jenna Bernstein (A) def. Kavita Shah & Melissa Shattuck, 6-1, 6-1
Andrea Wegner & Erica Tebbetts (A) def. Sopak Shah & Lisa Tereshko, 6-0, 6-1

BOYS TENNIS

ST. JOHN'S PREP 3, ANDOVER 1 at Danvers Singles

Evan Sideman (A) vs. Paul Colahan, 6-3, 3-2, match called by rain
Gabe Adams (A) def. Jeff Miller, 6-0, 7-5
Paul Roberts (SJP) def. Rich Roda, 6-0, 6-2

Doubles

Taylor Monica & Tucker McGrath (SJP) def. Pete Hughes & Andy Chiaraluce, 6-3, 7-5
Spencer Bolin & Eric Conrad (SJP) def. Jordan Klein & Steve Hibino, 6-2, 6-1

Records: St. John's Prep 7-0, Andover 7-1.

ANDOVER 4, CENTRAL CATHOLIC 1 at Merrimack College Singles

Justin Slattery (CC) def. Evan Sideman, 6-1, 4-6, 6-3
Gabe Adams (A) def. Dan D'Agata, 6-4, 6-1
Rich Roda (A) def. Dave Hall, 6-4, 6-3

Doubles

Pete Hughes & Andy Chiaraluce (A) def. Ben Soe & Andy Lawlor, 6-2, 6-1
Jordan Klein & Steve Hibino (A) def. Darren Giorgio & Paul Tabajonda, 6-2, 6-2
Record: Central Catholic 7-1.

ANDOVER 5, LOWELL 0 at Andover High Singles

Evan Sideman (A) def. Brent Smith, 6-2, 6-3
Rich Roda (A) def. Dan Tobin, 6-0, 6-1
James Kim (A) def. Ben Faust, 6-3, 6-2

Doubles

Pete Hughes & Andy Chiaraluce (A) def. Jimmy Quach & Andrew Downey, 6-2, 6-2
Jordan Klein & Steve Hibino (A) def. Corey Smith & Joe Sargent, 6-0, 6-1

Money ...

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town. Not only is it the biggest, it is growing the fastest. Since 1997, the salary account has increase by more than 26 percent, or nearly 9 percent a year, while the town salary accounts are up only 13.2 percent.

That doesn't mean the average school worker got cumulative raises totaling 26 percent. Much of the budget increase comes from the fact that the number of full-time-equivalent employees in the department jumped from 542 to 636, or 17 percent, since 1997.

Still, School Department employees hold 216 of 360 positions in Andover that pay more than \$51,000 — a clear majority. And that, Robb says, should concern the School Committee and the Board of Selectmen.

He doesn't necessarily fault the unions. "The major function of employee unions is to get more money, and we have very successful unions," he says, somewhat tongue-in-cheek.

More seriously, he says the simple reality is that if spending is outstripping revenues in a time of major economic prosperity, things could get very ugly if the economy tanks.

"There are going to be downturns," he says, "and during those times you tend to keep funding your salaries at the expense of maintenance, and end up with enormous backlogs. We don't want to be in that situation."

Robb also notes that teachers are paid for what would be considered an 80-percent position in the private sector. "I say that having been a teacher myself," he says.

School Committee Chairman Eric Nadworny says he agrees with Robb when it comes to analyzing raw numbers, but says there is another reality as well. "We're trying to recruit and retain the best teachers," he says.

Nadworny says he suspects Andover teacher salaries are "probably in the top 20 or 25 percent, just like our MCAS scores are."

Thomas Meyers, president of the local teachers union, agrees that the town needs to recruit and retain the very best, but disagrees that Andover school spending is in the top tier.

"Our salaries are public information," he says, "and I think if you look at our wages, and what wages are nationally, we're (the town) in a very conservative mode."

Meyers says that Andover's per-pupil expenditure rates are "astonishingly low," especially

given that it is one of the wealthier communities in the state."

"We like to compare ourselves to the Lexingtons and Newtons," he says, "but they're spending \$7,684 and \$7,806 per pupil (respectively), and Andover spends \$6,030.

"If you're trying to attract the best and brightest, salary matters."

Nadworny says, "I certainly think our teachers are fairly compensated. If they weren't, we wouldn't be able to recruit and retain them."

But he says he sees no way to curtail the number of employees in the schools. "If anything, we've been a little slow in hiring," he says.

And Superintendent Bach says the department has barely enough staff now to maintain the class sizes that the public wants.

"Our (student) population continues to increase," she says, "and parents will tell you they think class sizes are far too high right now," even though the system tries to keep classes at 25 students or fewer.

Bach says she hopes the FinCom and School Committee will meet to talk about school spending, both for salaries and other needs.

"I think it's an important exercise for the community to decide what level of services it feels should be part of our budget."

Those meetings are already in the planning stages, according to Selectmen Chairman John Hess. "The three boards (selectmen, School Committee and FinCom) have decided to form a task force to get together after Town Meeting," he says.

One of the things on the table will be how to cope with the inevitable downturn in the economy without major layoffs or service cuts.

"We have a lot of fixed costs," he says, "and we just took on quite a bit more."

"I'd say we're concerned," he says, "but we're not panicking."

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Essex Division
Docket No. 99C 0105-CA1
NOTICE OF

CHANGE OF NAME

To all persons interested in the petition hereinafter described.

A petition has been presented to said Court by **REENEA KHAYYAM LYNN CHITTY** of Andover, Essex County, praying that her name may be changed as follows:

REENEA KHAYYAM LYNN CHITTY

TO
REENEA KHAYYAM LYNN MORROW

If you desire to object thereto you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court at Salem before ten o'clock in the forenoon on the twenty-fourth day of May, 1999.

WITNESS, Edward J. Rockett Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this third day of May, 1999.
Pamela Casey O'Brien
Register of Probate
May 6, 1999

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS THE TRIAL COURT PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT DEPARTMENT

ESSEX DIVISION
Docket No. 98P1476-EP1
NOTICE

In the ESTATE OF RAYMOND F. HOPKINSON, III.

To all persons interested in the estate of RAYMOND F. HOPKINSON, III late of the County of Essex Date of Death, March 14, 1998.

A petition has been presented in the above captioned matter praying that a certain instrument be probated purporting to be the last will of said deceased by CAROL J. HOPKINSON of Andover in the County of Essex praying that she be appointed executrix thereof, without giving sureties on her bond.

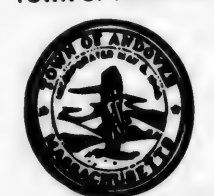
IF YOU DESIRE TO OBJECT THERETO, YOU OR YOUR ATTORNEY MUST FILE A WRITTEN APPEARANCE IN SAID COURT AT Salem Probate Court, 36 Federal St., Salem, MA 01970 BEFORE 10:00 O'CLOCK IN THE FORENOON (10:00 A.M.) ON June 1, 1999.

Wills only: In addition you must file a written affidavit of objections to the petition, stating the specific facts and grounds upon which the objection is based, within thirty (30) days after the return day (or such other time as the court, on motion with notice to the petitioner, may allow) in accordance with Probate Rule 16.

Witness, Edward J. Rockett, Esquire, First Justice of said Court. Date April 27, 1999.

Pamela Casey O'Brien
Register of Probate Court
May 6, 1999

TOWN OF ANDOVER



PLANNING BOARD

Notice is hereby given that a public hearing will be convened on Tuesday, May 25, 1999, at 8:30 p.m., in the Third Floor Conference Room, Town Office Building, Bartlet Street, on the application of Vicor Corporation for a Site Plan Special Permit to construct a 123,582 square foot, 3-deck parking structure providing 476 spaces, on premises owned by the applicant at 400 Federal Street off River Road, said premises more specifically identified as Lot 4 on Assessors Map 144. The purpose of the parking structure is to provide additional spaces for an existing industrial facility on the site. The application and plans may be viewed in the Planning Department between the hours of 8:30 a.m., and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Witness, Edward J. Rockett, Esquire, First Justice of said Court. Date April 16, 1999.

Pamela Casey O'Brien
Register of Probate Court
May 6, 1999

THE ANDOVER
PLANNING BOARD
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Chairman
May 6 & 13, 1999

TOWN OF ANDOVER



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Notice is hereby given that a public hearing will be convened on Tuesday, May 25, 1999, at 8:00 p.m., in the Third Floor Conference Room, Town Office Building, Bartlet Street, on an application submitted by Phillips Academy Board of Trustees for a Site Plan Special Permit to allow for the renovation/addition of 7,938 square feet to the existing administration building, also known as the Hardy House, located at 7 Salem Street within the Phillips Academy Campus, and more specifically identified as assessors map 41, lot 4. The application may be examined in the Planning Department between the hours of 8:30 a.m., and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

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May 6, & 13, 1999

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS THE TRIAL COURT PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT DEPARTMENT

ESSEX DIVISION
Docket No. 99P0863-AD1
NOTICE

In the ESTATE OF HENRY J. SOSNOWSKI

To all persons interested in the estate of HENRY J. SOSNOWSKI late of the County of Essex Date of Death, NOVEMBER 6, 1998

A petition has been presented in the above captioned matter praying that LUCY P. SOSNOWSKI of Andover in the County of Essex be appointed administratrix of said estate thereof without giving sureties on her bond.

IF YOU DESIRE TO OBJECT THERETO, YOU OR YOUR ATTORNEY MUST FILE A WRITTEN APPEARANCE IN SAID COURT AT Salem Probate Court, 36 Federal St., Salem, MA 01970 BEFORE 10:00 O'CLOCK IN THE FORENOON (10:00 A.M.) ON May 24, 1999.

Wills only: In addition you must file a written affidavit of objections to the petition, stating the specific facts and grounds upon which the objection is based, within thirty (30) days after the return day (or such other time as the court, on motion with notice to the petitioner, may allow) in accordance with Probate Rule 16.

Witness, Edward J. Rockett, Esquire, First Justice of said Court. Date April 16, 1999.

Pamela Casey O'Brien
Register of Probate Court
May 6, 1999

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1 Steven P. Manfredi bought 10 Acorn Drive, Lot 45B for \$1,055,000.00, from Ruth Realty Trust. The mortgage is with Andover Bank.

2 John D. Thomson bought 13 Lowell Junction Road for \$40,000, from Patricia A. Thomson.

3 Robert K. Doherty bought 20 Arundel St. for \$245,000, from Charles W. Will Jr. The mortgage is with U S Trust.

4 Helene A. Michel bought 44 Sagamore Drive for \$525,000, from John J. Warnock Jr. The mortgage is with Chase Manhattan Bank USA NA.

5 Anne L. O'Neal bought 348 Salem St. for \$60,000, from Lawrence P. O'Toole.

6 E. Ryker Young bought Lot 5 Boutwell Road for \$439,000, from Bradford Glen Inc. The mortgage is with Ipswich Savings Bank.

7 Stephen R. Neil bought 7 Joyce Terrace for \$277,000, from Austin Weber Trust. The mortgage is with Ipswich Savings Bank.

8 Daniel J. Donovan bought 118 Bailey Road for \$300,000, from DR & JFD Realty Trust. The mortgage is with Navy Federal Credit Union.

9 David B. Currie bought 56 Cheever Circle for \$510,000, from Kenneth W. Cupp. The mortgage is with Assurance Mortgage Corp of America.

10 Kathleen L. Temple bought 6 Henderson Ave. for \$205,000, from Robert T.



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This home, at 56 Cheever Circle, was recently sold for \$510,000.

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11 Howard Macmillan bought 24R Pomeroy Road for \$60,000, from Elizabeth A. Riordan. The mortgage is with Elizabeth Riordan.

12 John Demartino bought 374 Salem St., Lot 2 for \$535,000, from Bruce M. Male. The mortgages are with Merrill Lynch Credit Corp and Maureen A. Demartino.

13 David C. Welsh bought 5 Shepley St. for \$165,000, from Edna M. Hemsworth. The mortgage is with Chase Manhattan Mortgage Corp.

14 John McDaid bought Unit 30B, 2 Colonial Drive for \$33,500, from Colonial Drive Corp. The mortgage is with Equity

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15 Arryn Brezinski bought 60 Burnham Road for \$230,000, from Gordon L. Norton, III. The mortgage is with Assurance Mortgage Corp of America.

16 Elizabeth A. Murphy bought Unit 206 Balmoral St. for \$90,000, from Eileen Rosenzweig. The mortgage is with Norwest Mortgage of Massachusetts Inc.

17 Joseph K. Russell bought 12 Carriage Hill Road, Lot 16 for \$265,000, from Charles F. Lefebvre Ex. The mortgage is with Norwest Mortgage of Massachusetts Inc.

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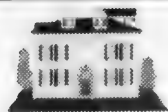
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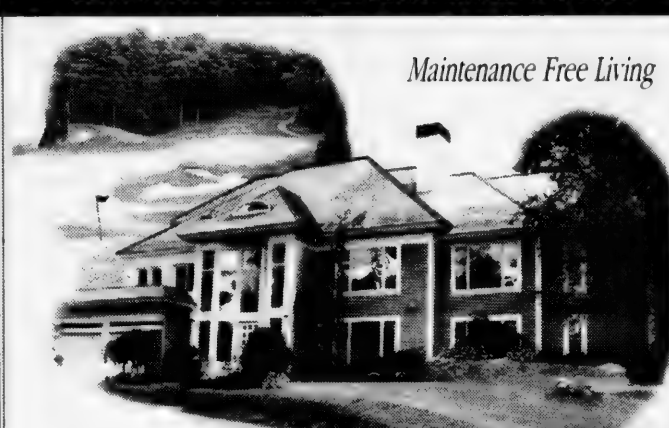
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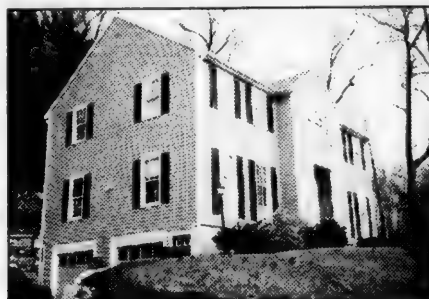




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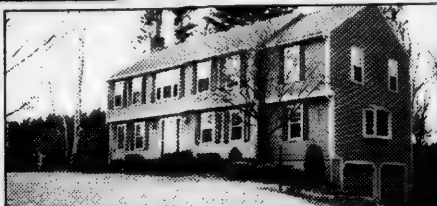

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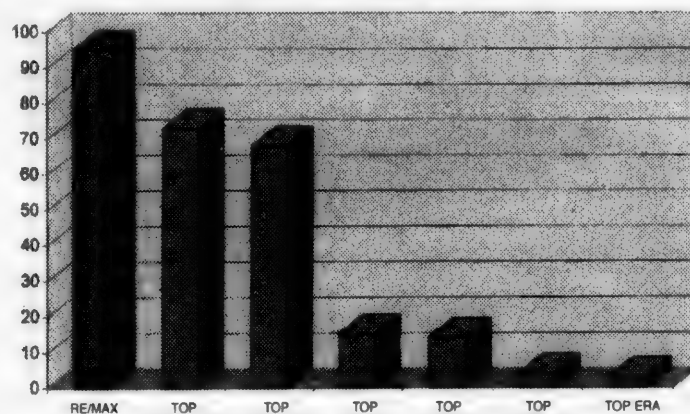
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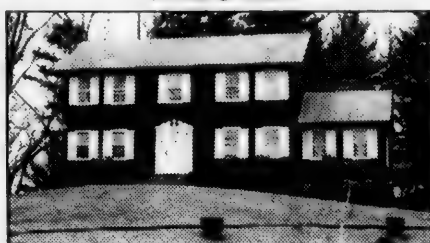
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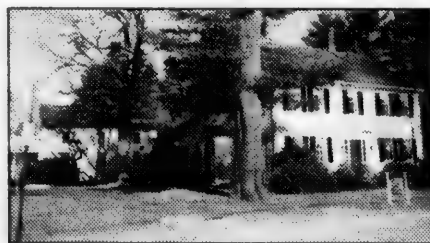
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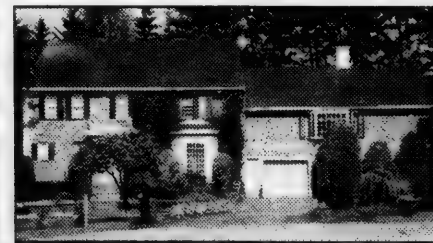


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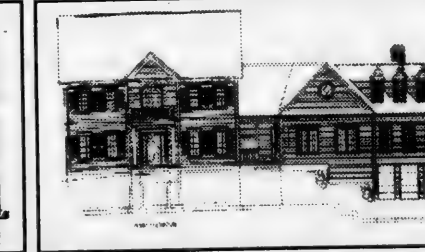
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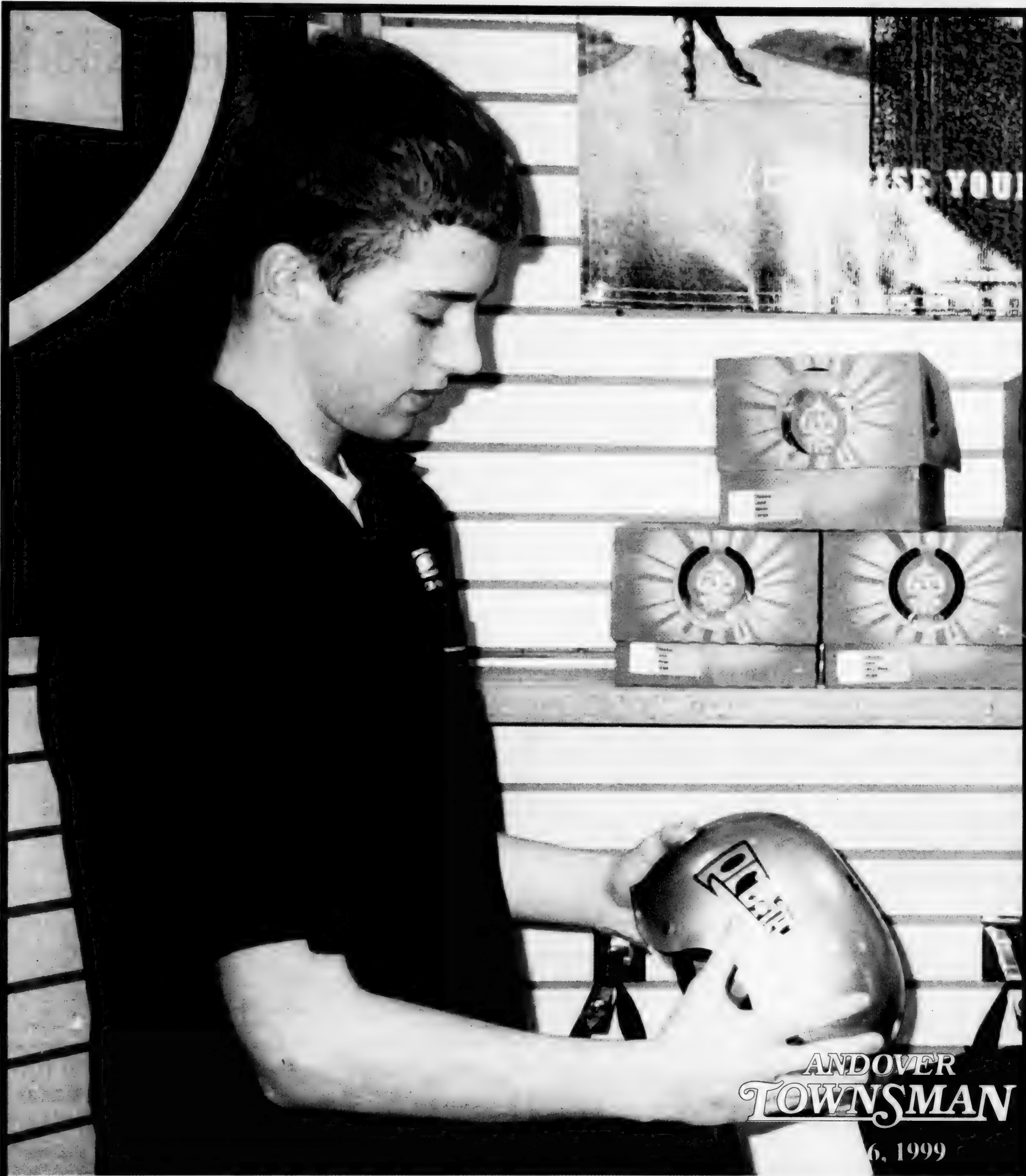
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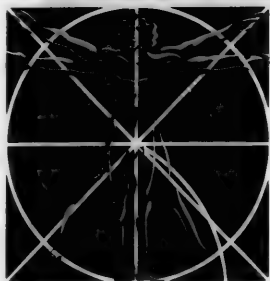
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Safety first when playing spring and summer sports

By Karen Intravaia

Bike riding, rollerblading and swimming are just a few of the sports that are popular this time of year. From the novice to the sports enthusiast, all will be gearing up to partake in outdoor activities and enjoy the nice weather that lies ahead. Using basic common sense and following the rules of the road, these activities may be enjoyed injury-free.

Roller blades are very popular and provide an all-over body exercise. Ryan Garrigan of Buchika's in Salem, N.H. suggests beginners wear wrist, knee and elbow guards when starting out to reduce the risk of injury. Helmets are also a definite must with this sport. There are helmets designed specifically for this sport. These helmets cover the entire back section of the head and have a snug fit. Skate helmets are equipped with two densities of foam, providing a snugger fit than a bike helmet and are multi impact. Whereas, bike helmets are lighter, rest on the head more, have more ventilation and are useful for a single impact. A bike helmet should not be used for roller blading and vice versa. These differences in helmets take into account how a person falls differently in each sport.

"Beginners should stay clear of traffic



Proper-fitting roller blades help prevent injuries.

and concentrate on skating," said Mr. Garrigan. "Good places to start are a tennis court and keep away from stone roads. Basically a smooth level surface, without hills is best and just feel comfortable."

It is also important that your skates fit properly. They should have a snug fit, but not too tight. You should check your hardware from time to time. A clear

indicator of a potential problem is if you notice a decrease in performance, meaning how smooth, comfortable or fast your skates are. The wheels on your skates should also be rotated so they wear evenly and should be replaced before you see any significant signs of wear.

Michael Gerardi, Manager at Buchika's said safety in rollerblading is common sense. "The equipment is out there to make this a safe sport," he said. "If you do all you can to prepare yourself by stretching and exercising beforehand, you will have a good day. Know what you are doing, just like skiing, don't ski on an expert slope if you don't belong there, the same rules apply to roller blading."

Mr. Gerardi suggests when biking or roller blading, people wear clothing that is reflective.

"There are a few new safety products out now, one being tail lights that blink and can be attached to the back of bicycle seats," he said. "They are great and allow the person to be seen at dusk or in the evening."

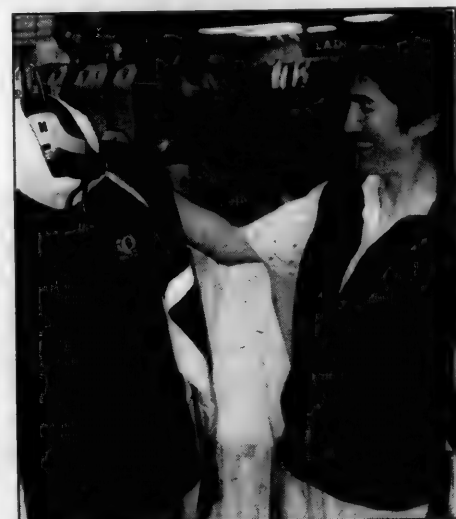
It is also important to stay hydrated while biking and replacing the standard water bottle are hydration packs which are strapped on and filled with water for

long rides. Drinking six to eight ounces of water is recommended for every 20 minutes of exercise.

According to the Essex County Saving Lives Program, approximately 400 children under the age of 15 are killed each year, while another 400,000 need emergency room treatment as the result of a bicycle accident.

The group, formed to promote road safety, suggests when purchasing a bike helmet, people purchase one that has a

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Carolyn Davis chooses reflective clothing for biking and roller blading.

On the cover: Ryan Garrigan selects a safety helmet at Buchika's. Cover and story photos are by Karen Intravaia.

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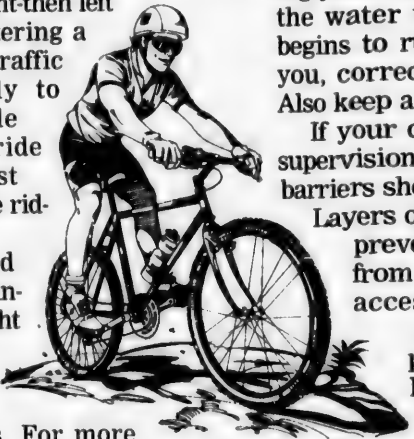
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sticker inside certifying the helmet meets standards of the Snell Memorial Foundation and/or American National Standards Institute. Since your child is the one who will be wearing it, let them pick it out. Also set a good example and wear one yourself. Make sure the helmet is the correct size, safely maintained and has reflectors.

Other suggestions for safety include teaching your child to always stop and look left-then right-then left again before entering a road. Obey all traffic laws that apply to motor vehicle operators and ride alert, since most drivers do not see riders. Bicyclists should always ride in single file on the right side and signal their intentions to other motorists. For more information concerning all types of educational traffic safety materials, contact the Essex County Saving Lives Program at (978) 373-8471.

When the temperature outside rises, so does the popularity of swimming. However, the major cause of death in a child under the age of five is drowning.



Your child can swim safely this summer by exercising caution and following pool safety rules.

Rob McKay, a National Swim School member who teaches a Diaper Dolphin program in Boca Raton, Florida uses a Safety Circle to illustrate pool rules. The most critical part of the circle is constant supervision. Children must be watched carefully at all times, even if the child knows how to swim. No child is ever drown-proof. Mr. McKay suggests teaching your children never to go in or near the water without you. If your child begins to run toward the pool without you, correct him or her immediately. Also keep a cordless phone by the pool.

If your child somehow eludes your supervision, the second piece of the pie, barriers should stop his or her progress.

Layers of protection are necessary to prevent both unsupervised access from the house and unauthorized access from the outside. Four-sided fencing around the pool should be of approved height. These barriers must be impenetrable by children from all sides. Keep chairs and other potential climbing items away from fencing to prevent children from climbing over. Use self-closing and self-locking mechanisms on all gates, which are five-feet above the floor. Make sure all windows to the pool are kept shut. An additional safety measure is a pool alarm warning device.

If your child somehow gets over a barrier or if one does not exist (such as in a neighbor's pool), the third piece of the pie, learning swimming safety skills comes into action. With time and

lifetime.

While you're out there enjoying summer activities, it's also important to be cautious with the sun by dressing appropriately and using sunscreen. Sunscreen



Lynn Tilley instructs children in water safety.

patience, your toddler can learn how to hold his or her breath, roll over and float, swim back to the wall or begin to learn to pop up for a breath.

The final piece of the pie is the knowledge of rescue breathing and cardiopulmonary resuscitation. Parents and caregivers should be certified in infant/child CPR. They should also know how to swim. Post local emergency numbers close to the phone. Remove all objects and toys from the pool when leaving the pool area. Rob McKay suggests good safety habits acquired early on will last a

with a minimum skin protection factor of 15 is a must for everyone; stronger factor should be used for children.

Another thing to be aware of while outdoors is the presence of ticks. According to the Lyme Disease Foundation, Lyme disease and other tick-borne diseases are spread by the bite of several types of ticks infected with the bacterium *Borrelia burgdorferi* and can be found across the country in woods, parks, beaches and yards. The disease is transmitted year-round and patients suf-

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Silverado Athletic Club a wonderful place for women of all ages

The Silverado Athletic Club is the only club in the area that is exclusively owned by women, managed by women and restricted to women members. The atmosphere is supportive and comfortable for women of all ages and sizes. Health and wellness programs emphasize women's needs. After nine years of successful operation, the Silverado Athletic Club, which is located in the Barnard Building on Main Street in downtown Andover, continues to fill a unique and important niche in the community.

Silverado's current owners, Louise Borke and Elise Caffrey, bought the Club

at the Tewksbury Holiday Inn. Our seniors love her and are devoted to her classes", adds Mary Ann.

In addition to the regular schedule, Silverado offers special events and programs to its members. On May 1st the Silverado Athletic Club hosted its annual Health Fair featuring businesses in the community that provide health services. On June 5th the Club will host a Women's Self Defense Clinic. The annual pamper night, where members and their guests enjoy an evening of Yoga and pampering, is also very popular. Although a club for women, Silverado opened its doors to spouses and friends on Sunday evenings from February

through April to offer two sessions of classes in swing dancing, the latest craze! From time to time, nationally known aerobic instructors are invited to conduct "Master Classes" which are enjoyed by both members and Silverado's instructors.

Reaching out and giving back to the community were high on Louise and Elise's list of objectives when they bought the Club. "Having Silverado's

presence felt in the community by supporting women and children who are less fortunate than ourselves is part of the Club's commitment," says Caffrey.

Silverado has run new member campaigns to benefit the Women's Resource Center and A Better Chance, sponsors Andover girls' softball teams, and donates gift certificates generously to fund raising activities of school and religious organizations. Silverado also raises funds for causes through their ProShop by selling items that benefit the YWCA's campaign against domestic violence and breast cancer research. Silverado continues to promote the benefits of health and exercise by targeting women professionals and offering introductory programs to teachers and administrators/secretaries during April vacation.

Women who join as new regular members before June 30th will be eligible to win a white water rafting trip. "This promotion fits perfectly with Silverado's philosophy that good healthy fun is one of the best forms of exercise."

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Under the management direction of Mary Ann Weitz, who has been the General Manager for the last three years, Silverado has invested in new equipment, expanded programs for children, including children's birthday parties, and provided massage therapy to its members. Working with Lisa Pintal, the Group Exercise Coordinator, the Club has increased the number of weekly aerobic and exercise classes to over 50, including classes in Yoga, Tai Chi, Kickboxing and Stretching. "To meet the needs of a wide age range of members, we have worked hard to provide fitness programs for children on up through the 60+ age group," reports Lisa. "Maria Hamilton has done a terrific job with our "Silver Sneakers" group for whom she has designed aerobic classes and a weekly water program

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The month of May has been designated as Lyme Disease Awareness Month. Early indicators of infection include flu-like symptoms and/or an enlarging rash. The rash is sometimes missed or not even appear, which allows the disease to disseminate. And Lyme disease is difficult to diagnose because it imitates other conditions and there is no reliable test that can prove who is infected or who is bacteria-free. Often times this is when misdiagnosis occurs.

To reduce your chance of getting a tick bite:

1. Avoid tick-infested areas, when possible.
2. Use caution when you are entering tick-infested areas.
3. Dress properly by wearing light-colored clothing and if possible, wear a long-sleeved shirt and long pants.
4. Use insect repellents. Permethrin kills ticks on contact, but it can be irri-



tating to your skin, so spray it on your clothing. You can use DEET (diethyltoluamide) on your skin and clothes. State guidelines vary, but in Massachusetts and some other states, health officials recommend not using DEET on infants and products with not more than 15 percent DEET on children. For adults, the product should contain no more than 30 to 35 percent DEET. Severe allergic reactions and seizures are associated with high concentrations of DEET.

5. Conduct frequent tick checks on yourself, family members and don't forget pets

If you should find a tick, remove it with tweezers within 24 to 48 hours and call your doctor to determine if treatment is warranted. If possible, have the tick identified or tested by a lab, your local health department or veterinarian.

There is now a vaccine available to prevent Lyme disease called LYMERIX. It has been shown to be safe and effective for the ages of 15 to 70. Ask your doctor if you are a candidate for the vaccine. To find out more about LYMERIX, visit their web site at www.lymerix.com.

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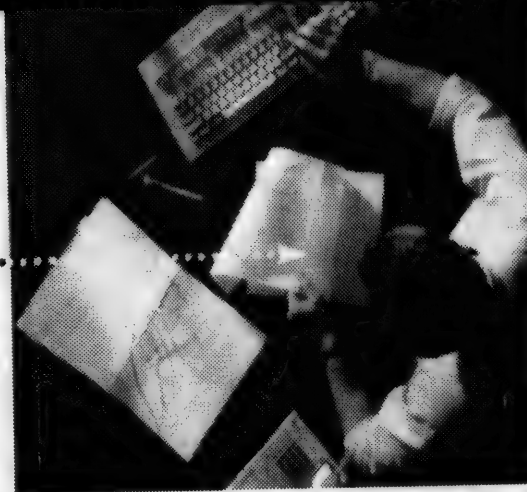
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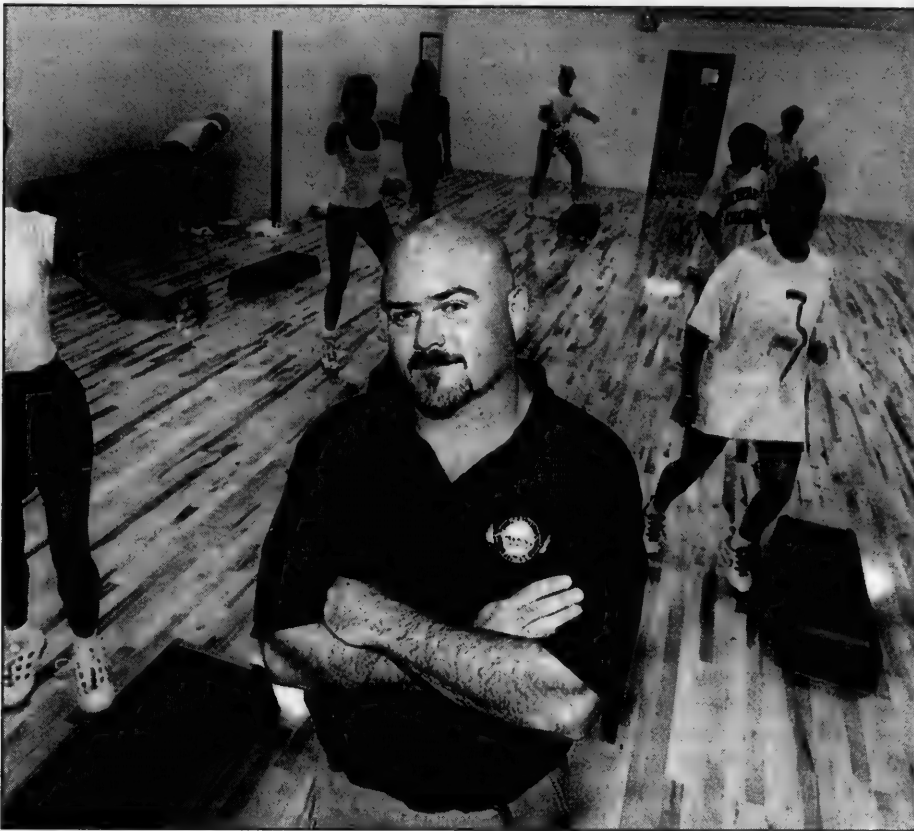


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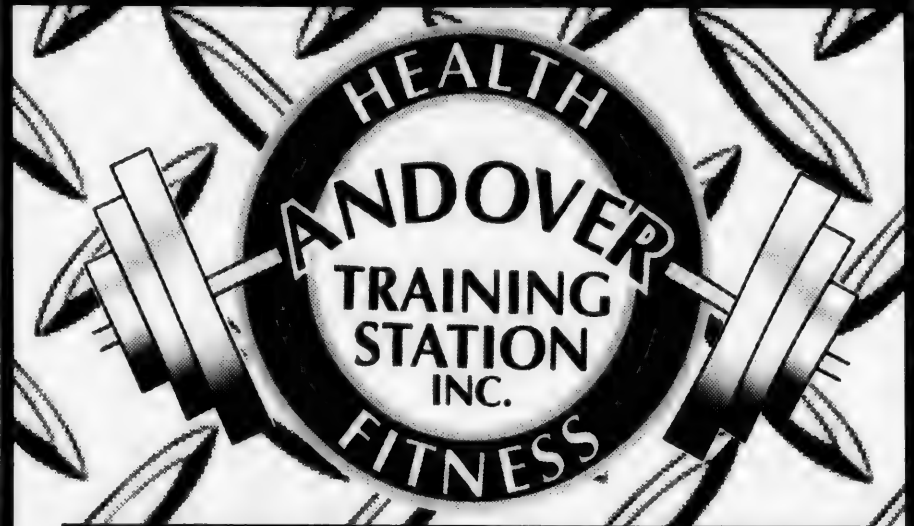
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Children's asthma: What you need to know

(NAPS) - Asthma is on the rise in the U.S., increasing fastest among children. Yet experts believe it is still underdiagnosed.

Tracey Russell had to rush her 12 year old to the doctor's office four times this year. Each time the problem was the same: a terrible cough and difficulty breathing. The diagnosis was bronchitis at each visit.

Finally, her daughter was diagnosed with asthma. Had she had it all along? Many parents face the frustration of a child having breathing trouble but no concrete diagnosis. Surprisingly, some physicians don't always recognize asthma.

Even when asthma is suspected physicians can be hesitant to diagnose it. Some feel it would upset parents to learn that their child has asthma. Others may not want asthma to appear in the records for insurance purposes. Regardless of the reasons, it often leaves sick children and frustrated parents looking for a solution.

"If asthma goes undiagnosed, it doesn't do anyone any favors," says Rachel Butler, editor-in-chief of *Asthma Magazine*, a magazine published to meet the educational needs of people with asthma. "It is only when parents know what is causing their child's



problems that they can seek appropriate treatment and begin to educate themselves so they can manage the condition."

Although asthma cannot be cured, it can be well managed. "There are studies that suggest that the earlier a child is diagnosed

and begins asthma treatment, the more likely that the severity of his or her asthma will lessen with age," Butler continues. "But the key is getting a diagnosis and proper treatment early."

As with any chronic illness, one of the most important aspects of managing asthma is patient education. "Managing a child's asthma should not be overwhelming," Butler states. "However, it does require the parent to have a good understanding of the medications, how to avoid asthma triggers and, most important, when to seek medical help."

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Cholesterol is made of LDL or low-density-lipoproteins and HDL or high-density-lipoproteins. A high level of LDL is not considered heart healthy but a high level of HDL is.

Different fats raise or lower HDL or LDL levels. For example, milk fat, coconut oil and palm kernel oil are thought to raise LDL.

Some nutritionists have recommended reducing saturated fat. That may not only be impractical, but it has been shown to also have an adverse affect on HDL/LDL levels.

The latest findings indicate that balancing different types of fat may be a more sensible approach to balancing HDL/LDL levels.

According to a recent report by Brandeis University, many people have mistakenly tried to improve their diet by using margarine made by hardening vegetable oils through hydrogenation. This process results in a stiff fat that is rich in so-called trans fatty acids. However, these fatty acids have been shown to not only raise LDL but lower HDL cholesterol.

Some of the latest margarines have attempted to correct this problem by fore-

going hydrogenation. New margarines hardened without partial hydrogenation are very likely to be easier on the human heart, found the Agricultural Research Service, and they offer better cholesterol results compared to typical margarines and butter.

Bob Harris, president of GFA Brands foods, believes strongly in the Brandeis concept of balancing the fat intake.

"With the right amount and types of polyunsaturates, monounsaturates and saturates in a diet that follows AHA dietary guidelines, along with regular exercise, the ratio of HDL to LDL cholesterol can be improved for most individuals," says Harris.



Eating foods with the proper balance of fats may be an effective way to improve heart health.

Asking questions may save your life

(NAPSA) – Taking just a few minutes to discuss prescriptions with your pharmacist before leaving the drugstore can help keep you and your family healthy.

Nine million Americans a year suffer adverse reactions to prescription drugs; reactions which might be avoided by asking the right questions.

Asking your pharmacist questions when you pick up a prescription can help ensure that you are taking medicines safely and correctly so that they work most effectively.

Before you leave the pharmacy with a prescription, pharmacists suggests that you find out the answers to these questions:

Q: What is the name of the medication and what is it supposed to do?

Knowing how a drug works and how you should feel after taking it can help you better understand whether or not it is doing its job.

Q: What are the possible side effects caused by this medication and how should I handle them?

Ask your pharmacist for a list of the most common side effects. He or she may be able to advise you about ways you can alleviate these side effects.

Q: Will this new prescription work safely with other medicines I currently take?

The combination of certain drugs can induce serious, even deadly, reactions. Make sure you tell your pharmacist all the medications you are taking or have taken recently.

Q: How and when do I take the med-

ication and for how long? If I miss a dose, what should I do?

Certain medications require special routines. For example, one new diabetes drug must be taken with the first bite of each meal. Patients taking a certain medication for osteoporosis must swallow their pills in the morning with a glass of water and cannot eat anything for a half-hour afterward. Missing a dose may alter the effectiveness of some drugs.

Q: Are there any foods or drinks I should avoid while taking this medication?

Patients taking some medication need to follow a strict diet to avoid dangerous interactions. You may need to avoid alcohol while taking certain medications.

Be sure to tell your pharmacist if you are allergic to or have any problems with any medication and the names of all medications, prescription and non-prescription, that you are currently using and why you are taking them.

"By focusing the same type of widespread public attention on the importance of increasing medication compliance as is given to food labeling and health fitness, we have a better-informed patient population, achieve more effective health care and save valuable health care resources," says Marilyn Shreve, Chair of the California Board's Consumer Education.

The Board urges consumers to talk with their pharmacist about any problems they anticipate in using their medications and about any medication problems that arise over time.

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Suffering from allergies all year long?

(NAPSA) - Winter brings about the usual signs of a cold: sneezing, nasal congestion, or a runny nose. But millions of Americans are plagued by these symptoms throughout the entire year. When these symptoms last all year, they are most likely the result of perennial (year-round) allergies, not a cold.

Allergy sufferers may mistakenly assume their symptoms are the result of a cold, but the fact is that allergies can pose the same problems in the winter as they do in the spring and fall. To help educate consumers about perennial allergies, the National Allergy Bureau (NAB), a program of the American Academy of Allergy, Asthma and Immunology (AAAAI), has launched a new educational campaign to raise awareness about the prevalence of indoor allergies and ways to manage symptoms.

As part of the campaign, a new nationwide survey conducted by International Communications Research revealed that 66 percent of those polled did not know what "perennial allergies" were, despite the fact that a majority of respondents (90 percent) recognized that allergies could affect people year round. Yet, almost half of respondents (49 percent) said they were unaware of what might trigger year-round symptoms.

"When people think of allergies, there is a general tendency to associate them with outdoor culprits like pollen or ragweed - environmental elements com-

mon during the spring and fall," said Robert K. Bush, M.D., Chair of the American Academy of Allergy, Asthma and Immunology's Indoor Allergen Committee. "Allergies are always 'in season.' Those who are suffering with the sneezes and sniffles all year may need to take a closer look at their indoor environments."

A quarter (26 percent) of allergy sufferer households surveyed indicated that at least one person in the home was affected by allergies year round. However, when all of the respondents (those with and without allergies) were asked which season comes to mind when they think of allergies, 63 percent thought of spring while only seven percent said



winter. But it's during the colder winter season when many Americans will spend a great deal of time indoors with the main culprits of year-round allergies: dust mites, pet dander, and molds.

"Monitoring the home environment is an important step in

alleviating perennial allergies," said Dr. Bush. "Following a cleaning regimen can help eliminate the triggers, and therefore the symptoms, that make life difficult."

The best way to treat allergies is to avoid exposure to the allergens in the first place, but that's rarely possible. To significantly reduce the number of allergy triggers, the NAB recommends following these tips:

- Vacuum or sweep the floor after every meal and keep food in tight-lidded containers at all times to rid your home of cockroaches.

- Use zippered, allergen-proof covers on mattresses, pillows and box springs to reduce the amount of dust mites in your bed.

- Remove wall-to-wall carpeting to eliminate dust mites and mold.

- Do not store clothes in damp areas where mold harbors.

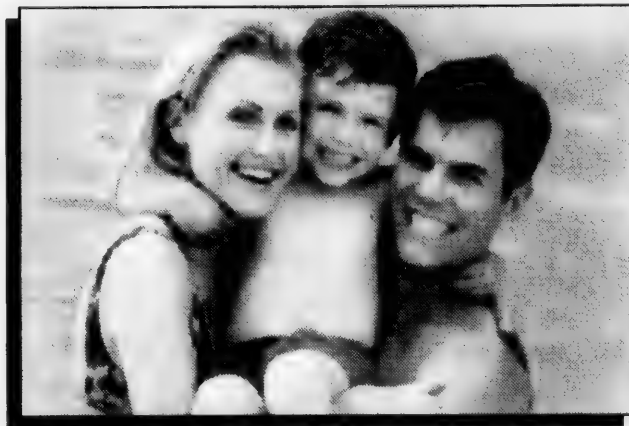
- Have a non-allergic family member brush your pet outside and clean out the animal's cage or litter box to reduce exposure to animal dander (dead skin flakes).

- Keep your pet out of the bedroom to eliminate animal dander in the place you spend a lot of time.

The NAB has established a new toll-free number, 1-877-9-ACHOOO that enables callers to request a free copy of a new brochure, "Because Allergies Last All Year Long." The brochure offers important information about year-round allergies and tips on how to reduce exposure to common triggers. Callers to the number will also be able to hear different messages about coping with year-round allergies.

Allergy sufferers can also visit www.aaaai.org/NAB to learn more about allergies.

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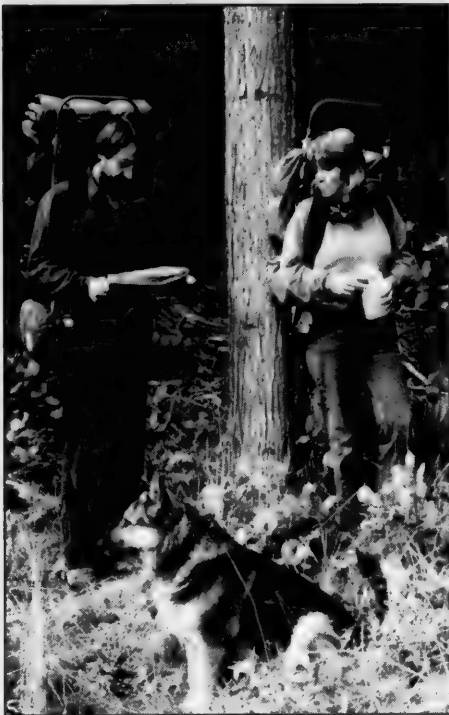
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On a hike, put your best foot forward

(NAPS) – According to the National Sporting Goods Association, there has been a 5.8 percent increase in trail usage from 1995 to 1996, which translates into more than 25.6 million hikers. Also, many families are enjoying hiking because it is a fun physical activity, that is also economical and can be done close to home.

Whether hiking up steep terrain or through open meadows, it's crucial that



proper preparations are taken to ensure a safe and fun-filled experience.

Two of the most important factors to consider for a hiking adventure are the selection and maintenance of hiking boots. Before hitting the trails, take a moment to review these helpful hints:

Selecting a boot

- When trying on boots, wear the sock combination that will be worn while hiking to ensure comfort and proper fit.

- Fit boots in the afternoon. This will give you a more accurate and better fit because your feet will have swelled to the average size reached during hiking.

- Because one foot is usually larger than the other, footwear should be fitted to the larger foot and padding added to the smaller foot as necessary.

- While trying on footwear, walk around the store and on an inclined surface to gauge for slippage that may occur while hiking.

- Select boots appropriate for the type of terrain and climate in which hiking will occur. Colder weather calls for boots that provide warmth with an insulated liner.

- When choosing leather boots, wear the boots for one week prior to the hiking excursion to properly break in the boots and avoid blisters later on.

- Make sure leather boots are equipped with a waterproof lining or

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water-repellency, which helps prevent water penetration.

Boot maintenance

- Spray waterproof nylon boots with water to clean off mud. If scrubbing is necessary, use a soft brush that won't abrade or scuff the surface.

- Don't use boot grease, wax or similar treatments on waterproofed leather boots. Such treatments break down the silicone injected in the leather and render the boots less waterproof.

- Don't dry wet boots next to a fire or in an oven because the leather will dry too quickly, leaving the surface brittle and susceptible to cracking. Air-drying wet leather is the best method.

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Cancer survivor shares advice on working through chemotherapy

(NAPSA) - For many, the word 'chemotherapy' conjures up a frightening image. Wrenching nausea, hair loss, debilitating fatigue, all impressions imprinted by the reality of treatment in days past, and reinforced by Hollywood and disease-of-the-week TV.

But life isn't like the movies, and each year thousands discover that they can get through cancer treatment, care for their families and be productive on the job.

That's the message shared by Diane Doan Noyes, a contributor to *Working Your Way Through Chemotherapy: Advice From a Good Friend*. The educational brochure offers tips on everything from skin care to stress relief to co-worker relationships, for cancer survivors who stay on the job during treatment.

"Cancer is not necessarily a death sentence, and many side effects of chemotherapy can be effectively managed," says Noyes, a 12-year survivor of ovarian cancer. "Nausea and vomiting, for example, are two of the most-feared side effects of chemotherapy, but need not be difficult with the latest medications. And there are strategies to deal with other side effects."

"I've been there, and I want to help others make their way, too."

A fashion representative, Noyes knows the importance of looking good on the job. "If you feel good about yourself,

others will too, and some of the fear colleagues associate with cancer may disappear," she says.

A few of Noyes' tips for those who are managing work, life and chemotherapy:

Plan treatments late in the day or right before the weekend, so you have time to rest with less work schedule interference.

Pace yourself and have quick, healthful snacks to keep your energy up.

Avoid facial scrubs (your skin is fragile now) and be careful about potential sources of infection - replace mascara and never share skin-care or make-up products with another person.

Take a picture of yourself and save a sample of your hair before treatment, to help select a wig if you lose your hair.

Consider head wraps instead of a wig; use shoulder pads for height.

Invite a nurse or expert from a local cancer support organization to speak at a 'brown bag' lunch to help eliminate co-worker misconceptions about cancer, its treatment, and the effect it may be having on you.

Tell co-workers what you need! Don't expect them to know. Most want to say and do the right thing, they just need your help defining your post-cancer relationships.

To request a free copy of *Working Your Way Through Chemotherapy*, call Hoechst Marion Roussel at 800-310-4700.

Exercise correctly now to prevent osteoarthritis later

(NAPSA) - Playing sports safely today may help prevent you from developing osteoarthritis in the future, according to the Arthritis Foundation.

That's because injuries resulting from exercise can lead to osteoarthritis within one and three decades. The riskiest sports are basketball, baseball, softball, skiing, in-line skating, volleyball and weight lifting.

That's no reason to give up the health benefits of exercise-which include boosting energy, lowering blood pressure and improving blood circulation. To help prevent injuries, here are a few tips from the Arthritis Foundation:

- Choose a sport that's right for you. If it doesn't feel right, try something else.
- Use the right equipment and protective gear. Customize to take care of physical misalignments.
- Cross train. Mixing activities can reduce the risk of repetitive stress problems.
- Listen to your body. If something hurts, don't push through the pain.
- Take care of injuries and follow up on rehabilitation recommendations.
- Strengthen the muscles surround-

ing a joint to protect it from further damage.

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Sports injuries can result in the development of osteoarthritis, so it pays to exercise safely and with the right equipment.

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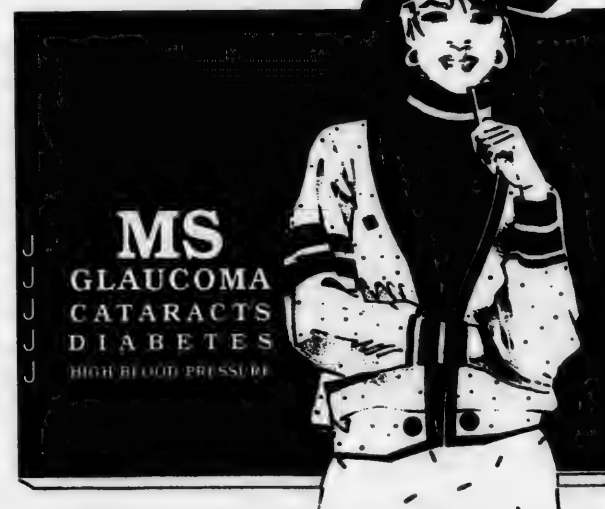
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Carpal Tunnel Syndrome

(NAPSA) – It can happen to practically anyone. Repetitive strain injury makes up about 34 percent of all lost workday injuries and illnesses, statistics show.

Fortunately, there are ways to help reduce these types of injuries on the job. For example:

- Take a ten minute break for every hour you spend at a computer terminal.
- Position yourself properly. The computer monitor should be about 26 inches from your eyes with the top of the screen at eye level.

"Today's most common on-the-job injuries come from repetitive motions—generally from spending too much time at the computer," said ergonomics expert Karen Jacobs, Ed.D., president of the American Occupational Therapy Association (AOTA).

The AOTA is offering a free screensaver with regular reminders and tips on preventing such injuries. The screensaver can be downloaded from AOTA's Web site at <http://www.aota.org>.



Three steps to a better heart beat

(NAPSA) – The American Heart Association says any time is a perfect time to think about what you can do to enjoy a healthier heart.

Heart disease is the number one cause of death in the United States. About one out of every four Americans has some form of it. The good news is many of the factors that increase your risk for heart trouble are ones you can control. Put your finger on the pulse of a heart healthy way of life. Start with these three steps.

1) Jump into an active lifestyle.

A life of leisure is considered a major risk factor for heart disease. Physical activity helps lower the risk by:

- reducing blood cholesterol levels by raising HDLs (the cholesterol carrier that can remove fatty plaques from your arteries)
- helping lower blood pressure
- keeping your weight in line
- reducing the risk for forming blood clots
- improving blood circulation.

Hard to find the time? Skip watching the news, instead listen to it while you walk briskly for 20 to 30 minutes, at least three to four times a week.

2) Munch a bunch of produce.

Fruits and vegetables are heart heroes. They are naturally low in fat, rich in potassium and magnesium and some, such as apples, citrus fruits and

carrots, are good sources of soluble fiber—the cholesterol-lowering fiber that made whole-grain oats and oat bran famous. Potassium and magnesium help maintain normal heart function and studies show fruits and vegetables rich in these minerals may keep blood pressure under control.

Include at least five to seven servings of fruits and vegetables each day.

3) Defuse stress.

Stress causes wear and tear on the body including wear and tear on your arteries and heart. Whether it's physical stress or mental stress, your body responds the same way. It releases hormones and chemicals that prepare the body to handle a potential "threat." Your heart pumps faster, blood pressure goes up and fat and sugar are released to provide quick energy. Chronic stress over-exposes your body to the hormones, chemicals, fats and sugars constantly called in for action. Over time, they may damage the inside of your arteries and muscle fibers of your heart and may affect your immune system.

Defend yourself against stress by identifying what causes it, learning how to keep things in perspective—that means understanding what you can control and what you cannot, and adopting relaxation techniques, such as exercise, meditation, and biofeedback.

Besides eating plenty of produce, add whole-grain cereals/breads and fish to

your shopping list. These foods, when part of a low-fat diet, show great promise of helping lower blood cholesterol levels.

SOURCE: American Heart Association's Heart Stroke Facts, 1998.

Warning signs of a heart attack

• **Uncomfortable pressure, fullness squeezing or pain in the center of the chest that lasts more than a few minutes, or goes away and comes back.**

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Protecting yourself from ultra-violet rays

(NAPSA) – You may think you've heard it all when it comes to sun protection, and that it's easy to understand the benefits of sunscreen. But did you know that your sunscreen may not be providing all the protection you need to properly protect you from the damaging effects of ultra-violet (UV) rays?

"Traditionally, sunscreen products have protected best against wavelengths of light that produce sunburn (UVB). Most have not protected well against long wavelength UVA light," says Dr. Zoe Draelos, Clinical Associate Professor of Dermatology, Wake Forest University School of Medicine. "Yet UVA rays cause premature aging of the skin, brown spots, wrinkles, even some forms of skin cancer, such as melanoma."

Choose carefully when buying a sunscreen, as labeling laws about UVA protection have not yet been defined by the FDA. Even if a sunscreen claims "broad-spectrum" UV protection, it may not actually protect sufficiently against long wavelength UVA rays.



The right daily sunscreen can offer a broad spectrum of daily protection from sun damage.

So, how do you know if you're getting true broad-spectrum protection? Look for ingredients such as zinc oxide that provides state-of-the-art protection from UVA and UVB rays.

Here are some common misperceptions about sun exposure:

Myth: The sun is good for you.

Fact: Partially true. Sunlight is

absorbed by the skin to help produce vitamin D for the body. It also gives people a sense of well-being, especially those who suffer from Seasonal Affective Disorder (also called the "wintertime blues"). However, only a few minutes of sun exposure results in measurable skin damage.

Myth: UV rays can't penetrate glass, so you're safe from the sun when you're inside.

Fact: While UVB cannot penetrate glass, UVA rays can. So, if you're near a window and you're not wearing broad-spectrum UV protection, you're damaging your skin.

Myth: Sun damage is only temporary. The skin is able to repair itself.

Fact: The skin can repair only some of the superficial damage. That's why a sunburn lasts only a few days. But the underlying damage remains over the years, and with each successive exposure to the sun, the damage accumulates, causing the skin to age prematurely.

Swim to stay fit

(NAPS) – Swimming is one of the best aerobic exercises the whole family can engage in and one they can enjoy together.

However, the family that stays fit together should also be safe together. Here are some helpful tips for pool safety:

1. One adult needs to carefully watch no more than two children in the pool.

2. Children who cannot swim yet should use life preservers or certified flotation devices.

3. Wear sneakers or other rubber-soled shoes to avoid slipping on wet pool surfaces.

4. Use only unbreakable dishware around the pool area.

5. Use the right pool chemicals for the right job. They can kill the bacteria that form in pool water.

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Keeping water free and clear of contaminants

By Dave Knoop

(NAPSA) - Each year, many families take the plunge and purchase either an above-ground or in-ground pool. These seasonal water havens are terrific for fun, relaxation and exercise.

However, many people may not realize the amount of maintenance involved in keeping a pool "swimmable." Regular treatment is key to keeping the pool clear of contaminants, and keeping swimmers healthy.

Recently, at an Atlanta water park, several children were infected with E.coli bacteria. This incident has prompted a number of questions from concerned pool owners.

What is E.coli?

E.coli are common, normally harmless bacteria. However, the strain found in Atlanta can cause serious illness in humans. Usually passed along through ground beef, it can also be transmitted through water. Water-borne pathogens such as bacteria, microorganisms and viruses can spread a number of diseases including cholera, typhoid fever and hepatitis A.

Could the same thing happen in a homeowner's pool?

Pool owners should take appropriate steps in pool maintenance, which includes routine chlorination, frequent testing of chlorine levels and the use of a



Proper pool maintenance not only makes it easier to keep the pool clean, but can also protect swimmers from disease.

super-chlorinating shock treatment as needed.

What is a super-chlorinating shock treatment and why is it important?

A super-chlorinating shock treatment is a process wherein high levels of chlorine are routinely placed in the pool for the purpose of keeping it clean and bacteria-free. These shock treatments cleanse the water of

algae, bacteria, dirt, swimmer waste and any other organic matter that may have entered the pool.

What's the proper pH level to maintain?

Pools should generally be kept at a pH between 7.2 and 7.8.

Is it true that baking soda can be used in the pool to raise the pH level?

Baking soda will raise the total alkalinity in the pool, which can cause cloudy water or deposits called "scale."

If the pool water is in really bad shape after winter, should I drain the pool or use chemicals to clear up the water?

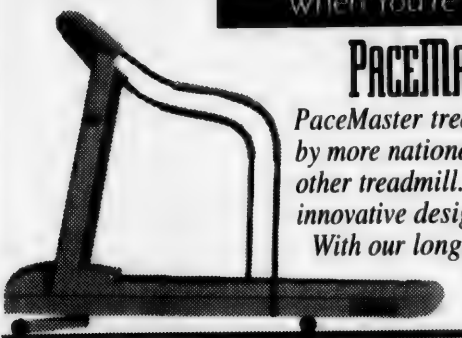
Refrain from draining because not only is it costly but water is a limited resource. When you close your pool in the fall, make sure you give it a winterizing dose of granular chlorine (30 ppm if the pool is uncovered, 15 ppm if covered). Allow this winter medicine to circulate before you lower the water level to get ready for ice and snow. In the spring a double shock of the water should bring it back to sparkling condition.

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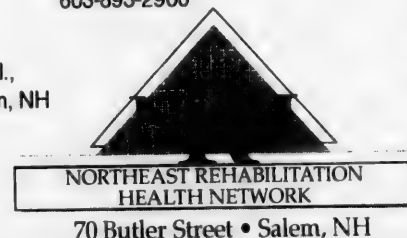
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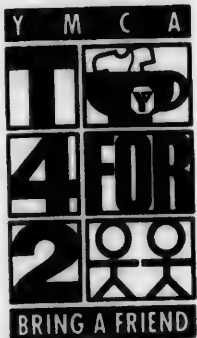
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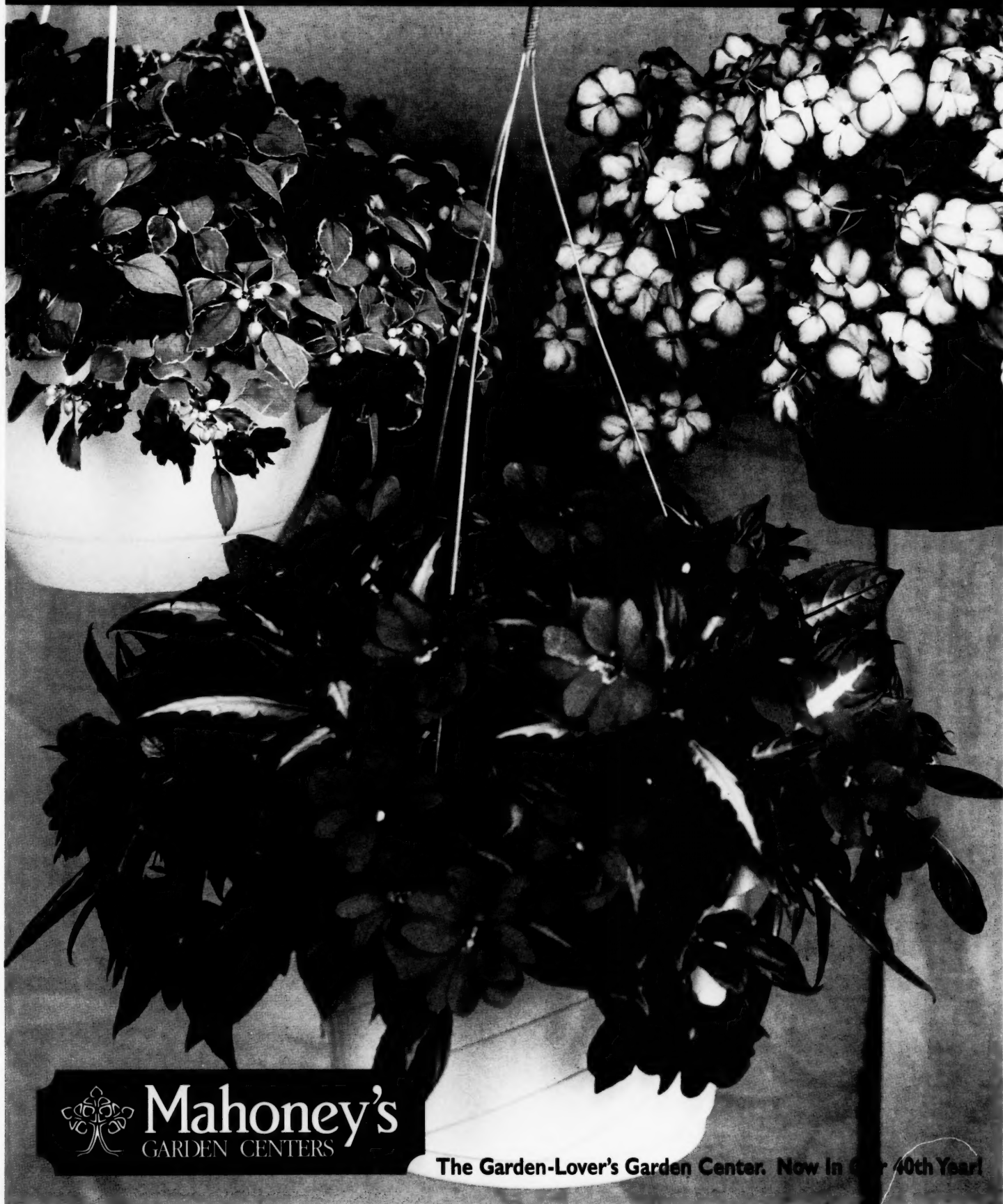
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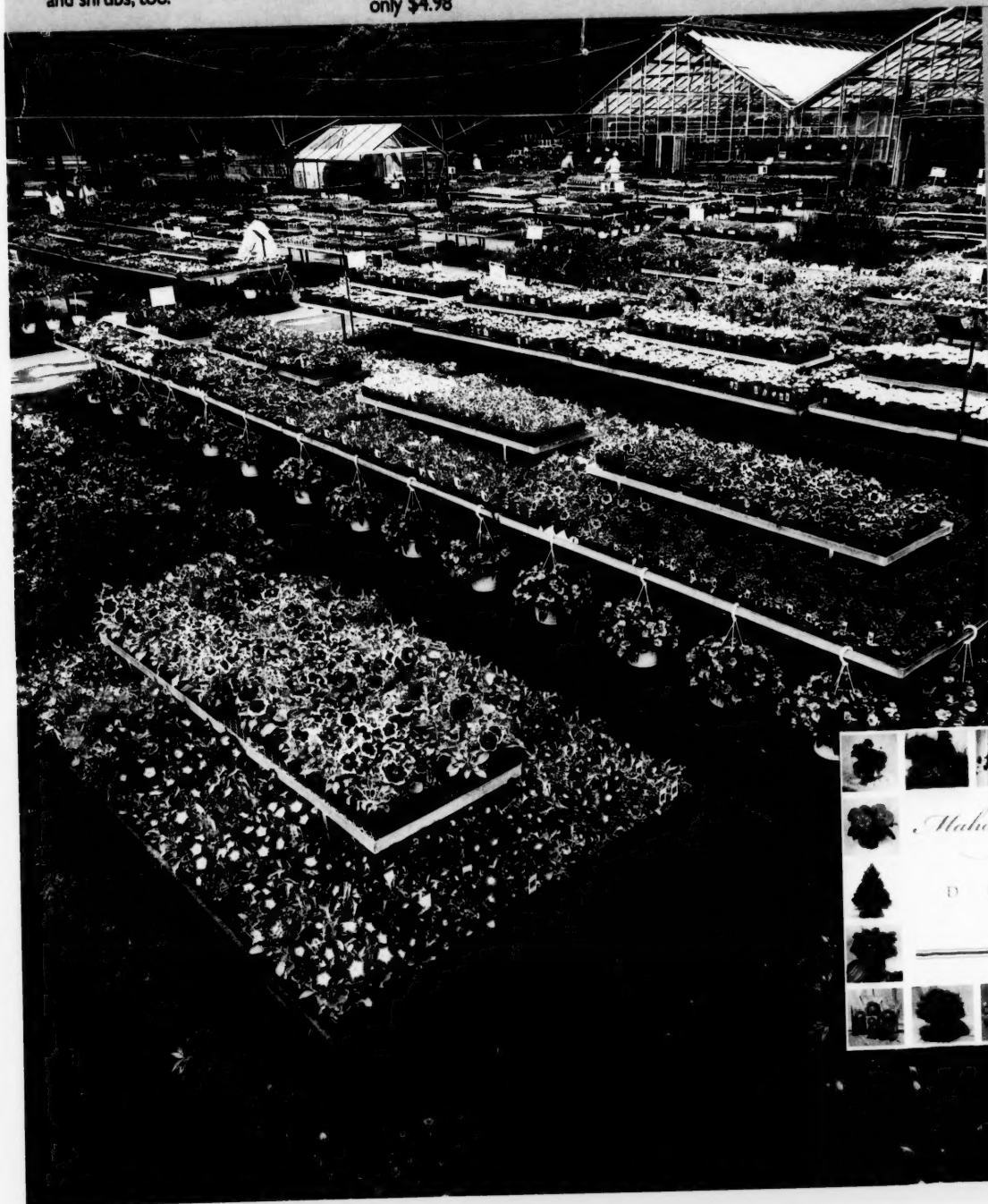
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